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The Government of Japan and the Government of the Italian Republic (hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties");

Recognizing that the establishment of a framework between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Armed Forces of the Italian Republic (hereinafter referred to as the "Italian Armed Forces") concerning reciprocal provision of supplies and services in the field of logistic support (hereinafter referred to as the "supplies and services") will promote close cooperation between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Italian Armed Forces;

Understanding that the establishment of the above-mentioned framework will promote more efficient performance of the respective roles of the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Italian Armed Forces in activities that they conduct and will actively contribute to international peace and security;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The purpose of this Agreement is to establish basic terms and conditions for the reciprocal provision of supplies and services, between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Italian Armed Forces, necessary for the following activities:

a. exercises and training with participation by both the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Italian Armed Forces;

- b. United Nations Peacekeeping Operations, internationally coordinated peace and security operations, humanitarian international relief operations, or operations to cope with large scale disasters in the territory of either Party or a third country;
- c. protection measures or transportation of nationals of either Party or others, if appropriate, for their evacuation from overseas in case of exigencies of the situation;
- d. communication and coordination or other routine activities (including visits of ships or aircraft of the forces of either Party to facilities in the territory of the other Party), with the exception of exercises and training conducted unilaterally by the forces of either Party;
- e. any other activity in which the provision of supplies and services is permitted under the laws and regulations of the respective countries.

2. This Agreement sets forth a framework for the provision of supplies and services on the basis of the principle of reciprocity.

3. The request, provision, receipt, and settlement of supplies and services under this Agreement shall be carried out by the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and by the Italian Armed Forces.

Article 2

1. When either Party requests, under this Agreement, the other Party to provide supplies and services necessary for the activities which are set forth in sub-paragraphs a. to e. of paragraph 1 of Article 1, and are conducted by the Self-Defense Forces of Japan or the Italian Armed Forces, the other Party, within its competence, may provide the supplies and services requested.

2. The supplies and services related to the following categories may be provided under this Agreement: food; water; billeting; transportation (including airlift); petroleum, oils, and lubricants; clothing; communications services; medical services; base operations support (including construction incident to base operations support); storage services; use of facilities; training services; spare parts and components; repair and maintenance services (including calibration services); airport and seaport services; and ammunition.

The supplies and services related to each category are specified in the Annex.

3. Paragraph 2 of this Article shall not be interpreted as to include the provision of weapons by the Self-Defense Forces of Japan or the Italian Armed Forces.

4. The provision of supplies and services between the Self-Defense Forces of Japan and the Italian Armed Forces necessary for the activities which are set forth in subparagraphs a. to e. of paragraph 1 of Article 1 shall be conducted pursuant to the laws and regulations of the respective countries.

Article 3

1. The use of supplies and services provided under this Agreement shall be consistent with the Charter of the United Nations.

2. The Party that receives supplies and services under this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "receiving Party") shall not transfer those supplies and services, either temporarily or permanently, by any means to those outside of the forces of the receiving Party, without prior written consent of the Party who provides them (hereinafter referred to as the "providing Party").

Article 4

- 1. The settlement procedures for provision of supplies and services under this Agreement shall be as follows:
 - a. For provision of supplies:

- i. The receiving Party shall, subject to sub-paragraph ii., return the supplies in question in a condition and manner that are satisfactory to the providing Party.
- ii. If the supplies provided are consumable or the receiving Party cannot return the supplies in question in a condition and manner that are satisfactory to the providing Party, the receiving Party shall, subject to sub-paragraph iii., return supplies of the same type and in the same quality and quantity in a condition and manner that are satisfactory to the providing Party.
- iii. If the receiving Party cannot return the supplies of the same type and in the same quality and quantity as the supplies provided in a condition and manner that are satisfactory to the providing Party, the receiving Party shall reimburse the providing Party in the currency specified by the providing Party.
- b. For provision of services, the services provided shall be reimbursed in the currency specified by the providing Party or settled by the provision of services of the same type and equivalent value. The manner of the settlement shall be agreed between the Parties prior to the provision of the services.

2. Consumption taxes shall not be charged by either Party for supplies and services provided under this Agreement to the extent permitted by the laws and regulations of the respective countries.

Article 5

1. The reciprocal provision of supplies and services under this Agreement shall be carried out in accordance with the Procedural Arrangement, as may be modified, which is subordinate to this Agreement and which shall specify procedures and supplementary details of terms and conditions to implement this Agreement. The Procedural Arrangement shall be made between the competent authorities of the Parties.

2. The price of the supplies and the services reimbursed in accordance with paragraph 1.a. iii. and paragraph 1.b. of Article 4 shall be determined pursuant to the relevant provisions set forth in the Procedural Arrangement.

Article 6

1. The provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to any activities conducted by the Italian Armed Forces acting as a member of the United Nations Forces under the Agreement Regarding the Status of the United Nations Forces in Japan signed on February 19, 1954.

2. The Parties shall closely consult with each other regarding the implementation of this Agreement.

3. Any matter relating to the interpretation or application of this Agreement and the Procedural Arrangement shall be resolved solely through consultation between the Parties.

Article 7

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date on which the Parties exchange diplomatic notes informing each other that their respective internal procedures necessary to give effect to this Agreement have been completed. This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of ten years, and shall thereafter be automatically extended for successive periods of ten years each, unless either Party notifies the other of its intention in writing to terminate this Agreement at least six months before the end of each period of ten years.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article, each Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving one year written notice to the other Party.

3. This Agreement may be amended by written agreement between the Parties.

4. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, the provisions of Article 3,4, 5, and paragraph 3 of Article 6 shall remain in force in respect of the reciprocal provision of supplies and services conducted under this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate, at Rome, this twenty-fifth day of November, 2024, in the English language.

For the Government of Japan

For the Government of the Italian Republic

Takeshi Iwaya

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Annex

Category	
Food	food, provision of meals,
	cooking utensils, and the like
Water	water, water supply, equipment
	necessary for water supply,
	and the like
Billeting	use of billeting and bathing
	facilities, beddings, and the like
Transportation	transportation of persons and goods,
(including airlift)	transport equipment, and the like
Petroleum, oils,	petroleum, oils, and lubricants,
and lubricants	refueling, equipment necessary
	for refueling, and the like
Clothing	clothing, mending of clothing,
	and the like
Communications services	use of communication facilities,
	communication services, communication
	equipment, and the like
Medical services	medical treatment, medical equipment,
	and the like
Base operations support	collection and disposal of waste,
(including construction	laundry, electric supply, environmental
incident to base operations	services, construction, decontamination equipment and
support)	services, and the like
Storage services	temporary storage in warehouse or
	refrigerated storehouse, and the like
Use of facilities	temporary use of buildings, facilities, and land, and the
	like
Training services	dispatch of instructors, materials

	for educational and training purposes, consumables for training
	purposes, and the like
Spare parts and	spare parts and components of military
Components	aircraft, vehicles, and ships,
	and the like
Repair and	repair and maintenance, equipment for
Maintenance services	repair and maintenance, and the like
(including calibration	
services)	
Airport and	services for arrival and departure
seaport services	of aircraft and ships, loading and
	unloading, and the like
Ammunition	ammunition, provision of ammunition,
	equipment necessary for provision of
	ammunition, and the like