1. Resisting Protectionism

- Post-WW II
- GATT
- WTO
- Stable world economy, Japan's high economic growth as a trading nation

Since Autumn 2008

Financial and Economic Crisis

- Rising Protectionism
  - Increases in tariffs, new non-tariff measures, discriminating fiscal stimulus packages etc...

*To refrain from raising new barriers to investment or to trade in goods and services, imposing new export restrictions, or implementing World Trade Organization (WTO) inconsistent measures to stimulate exports. We will notify promptly the WTO of any such measures and we call on the WTO, together with other international bodies, within their respective mandates, to monitor and report publicly on our adherence to these undertakings on a quarterly basis

London Summit: Leaders' Statement (Apr. 2nd, 2009)

2. Doha Development Agenda

- July 2008
  - Ministerial Meeting
  - was held but no agreement on modalities

- December 2008
  - Draft modalities for Agriculture and Non-Agricultural Market Access, and new text on Rule were issued

- 2009~
  - Working-level negotiations
  - It is said that the US finished its trade policy review on Doha.

- The working-level negotiations on Agriculture, Non-Agricultural Market Access, Service and Rule have restarted since the beginning of 2009.
- Negotiations are expected to accelerate after trade policy review (including that of DDA) by the U.S. and establishment of new administration in India.
- Discussion will be held on the way forward of Doha among the Leaders at G8 L'Aquila Summit.
- The Seventh Ministerial Meeting will be held in November. General activities of the WTO will be reviewed.