

Signing of “Memorandum of Cooperation between Fukushima Prefecture  
and the International Atomic Energy Agency following the Accident at  
TEPCO’s Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station”

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Fukushima Prefecture

1. Mr. Yuhei Sato, Governor of Fukushima Prefecture, and Mr. Yukiya Amano, Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) signed on 15 December 2012, in Koriyama City, Fukushima, on the occasion of the Fukushima Ministerial Conference on Nuclear Safety, the “Memorandum of Cooperation between Fukushima Prefecture and the International Atomic Energy Agency following the Accident at TEPCO’s Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station”.
2. This Memorandum is made between Fukushima Prefecture and the IAEA in order to confirm the willingness of both sides to implement cooperative activities.
3. Two Practical Arrangements, “Practical Arrangements between Fukushima Prefecture and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Radiation Monitoring and Remediation\*<sup>1</sup>” and “Practical Arrangements between Fukushima Medical University and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Human Health\*<sup>2</sup>” are attached hereto. In this Memorandum, it is also mentioned that the IAEA intends to conduct various cooperation projects in Fukushima Prefecture and Fukushima Prefecture intends to engage in collaborative activities with the IAEA so as to ensure their smooth implementation.

4. Furthermore, in this Memorandum, it is mentioned that the “Practical Arrangements between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Emergency Preparedness and Response\*<sup>3</sup>” were made in light of the nuclear accident, and that training activities, equipment stored in Fukushima Prefecture and its storage facility, which are based on these Practical Arrangements, will be collectively designated as the “IAEA Response and Assistance Network (RANET) Capacity Building Centre”.
5. Overview of IAEA’s cooperation activities referred to in this Memorandum is as the fact sheet attached to this press release.

\*<sup>1</sup> “Practical Arrangements between Fukushima Prefecture and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Radiation Monitoring and Remediation”

The objective of these Practical Arrangements is to set forth the framework for the cooperation and relationship between Fukushima Prefecture and the IAEA on cooperation in the area of radiation monitoring and remediation. The scope of cooperation is research and study on radiation monitoring, off-site decontamination and management of radioactive waste.

\*<sup>2</sup> “Practical Arrangements between Fukushima Medical University and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Human Health”

The objective of these Practical Arrangements is to set forth the framework for the cooperation and relationship between Fukushima Medical University and the IAEA on cooperation in the area of Human Health. The scope of cooperation is health management survey, capacity building and research, enhancement of public awareness and exchange of

expert support and information.

\*3 “Practical Arrangements between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and the International Atomic Energy Agency on Cooperation in the Area of Emergency Preparedness and Response”

The objective of these Practical Arrangements is to set forth the framework for the cooperation between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and the IAEA on cooperation in the area of emergency preparedness and response. The scope of cooperation is procurement of IAEA's equipment such as monitoring equipment, their storage in Fukushima Prefecture, conduct of training courses, etc. for local, national and international experts, and utilization of the above-referenced equipment in case of a nuclear or radiological emergency in the Asia Pacific region, should such an emergency arise despite all the efforts made to prevent it.

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