# Follow-up on the cooperation announced by Japan's Former Foreign Minister Mr. Okada at the Fourth Foreign Ministers' Meeting of FEALAC

Cooperation on environment (FROG Initiative)

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# Protection of forests, the "lungs" of the earth FROG(Fealac Regional Okada Green) Initiative

# 1. Cooperation to protect tropical rain forests with Japan's observation satellite "Daichi"

✓ Japan dispatched experts to Brazil and Indonesia to strengthen monitoring on illegal logging of tropical rain forests by using satellite images. In collaboration with Brazil, we invited trainees from countries in Asia and Latin America to Brazil, and provided them with technical training for the observation of illegal logging.

# 2. Support to spread agriculture compatible with preservation of forests (agroforestry)

✓ Japan provided grant aid (about 7.7 billion yen in total) for 5 countries in Asia and 4 countries in Latin America in order to promote the preservation of forest. Japan also contributed to the sustainable and steady development of the regions through technical and financial assistance as well as equipment necessary for forest preservation and management.

#### Sustainable growth compatible with environment

#### 3. High Level Meeting on Environment Business

✓ From March 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> in 2010, the preparatory meeting of "High Level Meeting on Environment Business" was held in Tokyo. Representatives of 6 Asian countries and 3 Latin American countries participated in it, and there was a lively discussion on the Meeting.

#### Introduction of clean energy

# 4. Cooperation for introduction of new energy

✓ Japan provided grant aid (about 6.4 billion yen in total) for 3 countries in Asia and 6 countries in Latin America aimed at introducing renewable energy. Through those assistance, Japan provided them with equipment for hydroelectric generation and solar power generating system in buildings of the public sector. Moreover, Japan provided a loan for the geothermal project in Indonesia and implemented technical cooperation for master plan for the development of renewable energy in El Salvador.

#### Spread of "Mottainai" (saving) culture

# 5. Cooperation for diffusion of energy-saving technology

✓ Japan implemented technical cooperation aimed at promoting the use of energy-saving technology for 8 countries in Asia and 12 countries in Latin America, 9 countries of which are FEALAC members.

#### Preparedness for natural disasters

#### 6. Sharing experience for prevention and reconstruction after natural disasters

✓ Japan provided assistance for prevention and risk reduction of damage from natural disasters caused by the effects of climate change (for 5 countries in Asia and 2 countries in Latin America). Moreover, Japan provided aid for the countries which suffered heavy damage from the earthquake and tsunami (for Indonesia in 2009, Chile in2010, etc), and is providing assistance for disaster prevention and risk management for 2 countries in Latin America.