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## STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF JAPAN

The following statement was made by the representative of Japan at the meeting of 6 April 1979.

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The list of Japan's purchasing entities attached to the revised text of Agreement on Government Procurement (MTN/NTM/W/211/Rev.1) contains all the ministries, agencies and their auxiliary organs and local branches of the central government without any exception. The list also contains three additional entities, i.e. three public corporations of Japan National Railways, Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corporation, and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Public Corporation, that were not offered in Japan's initial list of entities. Japan is offering these new entities, even though partially, in order to maximize the overall MTN package despite the fact that Japan's negotiating partners are not offering or are making specific exclusions of public transportation and telecommunication sectors. In the present round of negotiations Japan does not expect reciprocity in its strict sense in order to achieve successful conclusion of the Tokyo Round. However, Japan retains its right to raise the question of reciprocity, should the question arise in the major review after three years of implementation.