

Agenda item 13: Report on the Standing Committee on the law of Trademarks, Industrial designs and Geographical Indication (SCT)

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

In terms of the questionnaire entitled "Industrial Design and Emerging Technologies: Similarities and Differences in the Protection of New Technological Designs" which is proposed by the US, Israel and Japan, we would like to express our gratitude to the Secretariats' hard work.

Japan believes that the result of this study will be invaluable in terms of discussing the relationship between industrial design and emerging technologies.

We hope to actively discuss this issue in the next session of SCT, based on the result of this study.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.