4015 : Overview of the Elimination or Reduction in Tariffs under the Japan-Thailand Economic Partnership Agreement

Based on the EPA between Japan and Thailand, the tariff is scheduled to be eliminated for roughly 95% of the value of commerce between the two countries (approx. 97% of export from Japan and approx. 92% of import from Thailand) within 10 years from enforcement of the Agreement.

I. Agriculture, forestry and fisheries

- 1. Japan's key concessions
 - (a) Prawn & processed prawn products \Rightarrow Immediate tariff elimination
 - (b) Mango, mangosteen, durian \Rightarrow Immediate tariff elimination
 - (c) Chicken (excluding thigh meat with bone) & processed chicken products \Rightarrow Reduction to 8.5% and 3%, respectively, in five years
 - (d) Tunas, in airtight containers \Rightarrow Tariff elimination in five years
- 2. Thailand's key concessions
 - Apples, pears and Chinese yam \Rightarrow Immediate tariff elimination

II. Industrial products

- 1. Japan's key concessions
 - Tariff elimination for virtually all industrial products within 10 years

2. Thailand's key concessions

- (a) Steel \Rightarrow Tariff elimination for all steel products within 10 years
- (b) Automotive parts (for production) ⇒ Tariff elimination after seven years as a general rule for engines, etc, and after five years as a general rule for others
- (c) Motor vehicles (finished) (more than 3,000cc) ⇒ Tariff reduction in phases to 60% in three years
- (d) Motor vehicles (finished) (under 3,000cc) \Rightarrow Talks to be held once again in the sixth year