ARTICLE 23.3

Entry into force

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date on which the Parties notify each other that their respective applicable legal requirements and procedures for entry into force of this Agreement have been completed, unless the Parties agree otherwise. The Parties shall make such notification through an exchange of diplomatic notes between the European Union and the Government of Japan.

ARTICLE 23.4

Termination

1. This Agreement shall remain in force unless terminated pursuant to paragraph 2.

2. Either Party may notify in writing the other Party of its intention to terminate this Agreement. The termination shall take effect six months after the date of receipt by the other Party of the notification, unless the Parties otherwise agree.

ARTICLE 23.5

No direct effect on persons

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring rights or imposing obligations on persons, without prejudice to the rights and obligations of persons under other public international law.

ARTICLE 23.6

Annexes, appendices and footnotes

The Annexes and Appendices to this Agreement shall form an integral part of this Agreement. For greater certainty, the footnotes shall also form an integral part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 23.7

Future accessions to the European Union

1. The European Union shall notify Japan of any request for accession of a third country to the European Union.