3. The consular post and the competent local authorities of the receiving State of its consular district shall maintain channels of communication between them for emergency preparedness.

Article 11

1. The provisions of the present Agreement apply also, so far as the context permits, to the exercise of consular functions by a diplomatic mission.

2. The names of members of a diplomatic mission assigned to the consular section or otherwise charged with the exercise of the consular functions of the mission shall be notified to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the receiving State or to the authority designated by that Ministry.

3. In the exercise of consular functions a diplomatic mission may address:

(a) the local authorities of the consular district;

(b) the central authorities of the receiving State if this is allowed by the laws, regulations and usages of the receiving State.

4. The privileges and immunities of the members of a diplomatic mission referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall continue to be governed by the rules of international law concerning diplomatic relations.

Article 12

1. The present Agreement shall confirm, supplement, extend and amplify the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, done at Vienna on 24 April 1963 (hereinafter referred to as "the Vienna Convention") in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 73 of that Convention.

2. Matters not expressly regulated by the present Agreement shall continue to be governed by the Vienna Convention.

3. Nothing in the present Agreement shall affect the rights and obligations of the Parties under international agreements other than the Vienna Convention and the present Agreement.

4. Nothing in the present Agreement shall affect the rights and obligations between one of the Parties and any third country under the Vienna Convention.

Article 13

The present Agreement shall simultaneously apply to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China and the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China.

Article 14

Representatives of the Parties shall meet from time to time to consult with each other on consular issues of common concern, including matters arising out of the interpretation or implementation of the present Agreement.

Article 15

1. The present Agreement shall be subject to ratification and the exchange of instruments of ratification shall take place at Tokyo. The present Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

2. The present Agreement may be terminated by either Party by giving written notice through diplomatic channels. Termination shall take effect six months after the date of receipt of such notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

Done at Beijing, on this twenty-fourth day of October, 2008, in duplicate in the Japanese, Chinese and English languages, all three texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For Japan:

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For the People's Republic of China:

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