Note to paragraph 1:

Japan's Annex 2 to Appendix I to the GPA and this paragraph refer to all prefectural governments entitled "To", "Do", "Fu" and "Ken", and all designated cities entitled "Shitei-toshi", covered by the Local Autonomy Law (Law No. 67 of 1947) of Japan as of 1 February 2018.

2. Procurement by Core Cities

With regard to the procurements in the process of open tendering by Core Cities of Japan, suppliers of the European Union shall be accorded treatment no less favorable than that accorded to locally established suppliers, including, if and where such exist, access to any review procedures available to locally established suppliers. Any obligations in Chapter 10 other than this paragraph do not apply to Core Cities of Japan.

Notes to paragraph 2:

(a) "Core City" means a city defined by paragraph 1 of Article 252-22 of the Local Autonomy Law (Law No. 67 of 1947) of Japan.

(b) For the purpose of this paragraph, "locally established supplier" means a supplier who is qualified with respect to the location of an establishment in accordance with Article 167-5-2 of the Cabinet Order of the Local Autonomy Law of Japan (Cabinet Order No. 16 of 1947).

(c) The same thresholds and coverage of goods and services as those for the entities listed in Japan's Annex 2 to Appendix I to the GPA, including the Notes to that Annex, apply to procurement covered by this paragraph. However, procurement of goods and services related to the operational safety of transportation shall be open to suppliers of the European Union one year after the date of the entry into force of this Agreement or on 6 July 2019, whichever date is the later.

(d) This paragraph does not apply to the procurement of construction services (CPC 51).