## Memorandum of Understanding (Draft Proposal)

The leaders of China Communication Standards Association of China (CCSA, hereafter), Telecommunication Technology Committee of Japan (TTC, hereafter), Association of Radio Industries and Businesses of Japan (ARIB, hereafter), and Telecommunications Technology Association of Korea (TTA, hereafter) convened at TTA on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2002 and shared the understanding as follows:

1. China, Japan and Korea each have rapidly changing and prospering IT and telecommunication markets, and these markets are undergoing continuous interdependence and integration. Moreover, there are economic, technological and social factors such as roaming of mobile communication services, common utilization of mobile terminals, and the proximity of fixed and mobile internet contents. These factors are highly pertinent to the region encompassing the three countries and thus call for mutual understanding and cooperation among the countries.

2. The leaders of the aforementioned Standard Development Organizations (SDOs) recognize the existence of such calls and agree that the SDOs should work together to attend to the calls effectively. They further agree that such task should be addressed in concerted and organized ways. Therefore, they agree to form a cooperating body to be named as The China-Japan-Korea IT Standards Meeting (CJK ITSM, hereafter).

3. CJK ITSM aims to address the market needs and contribute to government policy making by monitoring the developments of standards issues in IT and telecommunication in the three countries and by exchanging the information thereof. CJK ITSM, in coping with new challenges in standardization, shall also make efforts to facilitate cooperation among firms and among governments of the three countries and contribute to the works of standards organizations of regional and global levels.

4. With a view to contribute to the provision of high-quality IT and communication goods and services to users and to the development of the

related industries, CJK ITSM shall link firms, markets and governments in such key activities as standards making and testing and certification.

5. CJK ITSM does not pre-determine its agenda and scope of activities; it instead adopts an open outlook in order to be able to evolve in innovative ways. CJK ITSM shall thus collaborate with governments, research organizations, non-government organizations (NGOs) and non-profit organizations (NPOs) of the three countries and share the outcomes of such collaboration with them.

6. Based on the understanding as above, CJK ITSM shall take concrete measures of cooperation in the following areas:

- (a) to exchange and share various resources such as information, knowhow, research outcomes and research manpower related to technological, market and policy issues of standardization;
- (b) to form a cooperative mechanism of the regularized and patterned nature. This mechanism shall include organized activities such as exchange meetings at the technical committee level, mutual visits for consultation, and email forum operation. In order to implement these tasks, there should be a secretarial office formed at the chair organization of CJK ITSM which shall take turns;
- (c) to stage collaborative activities to meet the needs of the markets and societies such as facilitation of cooperation among firms and governments, reflection of user opinions and interests in standardization and the operation of test beds;
- (d) to encourage mutual support and assistance among CJK ITSM member organizations in order to ensure balanced and mutually beneficial development of standardization in the three countries and to attend to market demands in efficient and concerted ways.

7. While making efforts to address the calls of the markets and industries of the three countries, CJK ITSM member organizations shall sustain their commitment and contribution to the regional and global standards bodies.

8. In order to achieve the aforementioned goals, the leaders of the SDOs understand that the member organizations of CJK ITSM shall make sincere

efforts based on mutual trust and respect.

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