Statement by Japan at the first informal session of SBSTA 9 "Sources of input for the global stocktake under the Paris Agreement"

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Dear co-facilitators,

This statement was delivered during the first informal session of SBSTA 9, "Sources of input for the global stocktake under the Paris Agreement".

First of all, we truly appreciate your prompt efforts to prepare and share the initial text. We have no objections.

We would like some additional information on one point related to the stage of providing information. The SB Chair's non-paper (page 9, paragraph 3 from the bottom) includes a possible option for nine constituencies of observer organisations accredited under UNFCCC to be consulted and provided inputs.

As we mentioned yesterday, submissions from non-Party stakeholders and UNFCCC observer organisations are essential to implement the global stocktake. Therefore, it is crucial for non-Party stakeholders and UNFCCC observers to have opportunities to participate in the global stocktake and to ensure that the contents of their submissions will be fully considered in the technical dialogue.

In light of the above, we would like to know the number or percentage of admitted observers who are not part of these nine constituency groups. It would be appreciated if co-facilitators or the secretariat could clarify this point during this June session.

Thank you.