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Conclusion in WTO ITA Expansion Negotiations

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On 16 December 2015, a conclusion was announced in the WTO Information Technology Agreement expansion negotiations. We would like to express our deep appreciation and respect to the Japanese government for the dedication and commitment with which it has pursued these negotiations since they began in 2012.

JEITA too has channeled considerable resources over the last three years into progressing the negotiations in conjunction with the IT industries of other key parties. We welcome the elimination of tariffs on 201 additional products as an excellent outcome which we are confident will lead to increased trade in IT products.

The liberalization of trade in IT products stands to make a significant contribution to the sustained development of the world economy and society, and we in the IT and electronics industry are committed to utilizing ITA to provide countries around the world with the best possible products to help improve social infrastructure and boost quality of life.