Summary of High Level Policy Dialogue on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in Response to Climate Change (August, 2017 in Can Tho, Vietnam)

1. Date and Venue

Date: August 25, 2017 (Friday)

Venue: Can Tho, Vietnam

2. High Level Policy Dialogue on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in Response to Climate Change

(1) Attendees

 17 APEC economies: Australia, Canada, Chile, China, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, USA, Vietnam (Chair)
International Organization: FAO (U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization)

(2) Overview

The theme of this Dialogue is "Enhance Food Security and Sustainable
Agriculture in Response to Climate Change" and discussed the following priority.

- (a) Food security under the changing environment
- (b) Innovation, Technical, and Applied research
- (c) Strengthen Public Private Partnership on sustainable agricultural investment
- Japan introduced some examples of utilizing the funds from public and private sector (A-FIVE) on the food value chain and initiatives in Vietnam for an agricultural cooperation dialogue. Japan mentioned the importance of establishing the food value chain by cooperation of public and private sector. Japan also mentioned they could contribute to the strengthening of global food security through establishing of the food value chain.
- At the high level policy dialogue, The APEC economies have endorsed "Can Tho statement on enhancing food security and sustainable agriculture in response to climate change" and two related action plans.

3. Key points of the Can Tho statement on enhancing food security and sustainable agriculture in response to climate change

- Promote further cooperation in order to strengthen food security and sustainable agriculture in response to climate change. Especially, to establish the food value chains will contribute to promote the rural development.
- Participated economies have endorsed the following "Action Plans" to address these issues individually.
 - (1) Food Security and Climate Change Multi-Year Action Plan (MYAP) 2018-2020
 - (2) Rural-Urban Development to Strengthen Food Security and Quality Growth