Appointment of the next Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) November 11, 2021

1. On November 10, the IMF announced that Managing Director Kristalina GEORGIEVA proposed appointment of Mr. OKAMURA Kenji, former Vice Minister of Finance for International Affairs and current Special Advisor to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance, as Deputy Managing Director of the IMF. After taking office on December 3, Mr. Okamura will assist Managing Director Georgieva along with other Deputy Managing Directors.

2. Mr. Okamura has a wealth of knowledge and experience in policy-making in the field of international economy and finance, and is expected to make important contributions to the IMF's efforts to tackle various global challenges, such as supporting economic recovery from the COVID-19 crisis and promoting international financial stability.

3. Japan will continue to strongly support the IMF, including through personnel contributions, and actively contribute to the stability and development of the international monetary system.