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Adoption of Regulation Law Regarding Settlements by Israeli Parliament

(Statement by Foreign Press Secretary Norio Maruyama)

1. The Government of Japan deeply deplores that the Israeli parliament adopted regulation law regarding settlements.

2. Settlement activities are in violation of international law and the Government of Japan has repeatedly called upon the Government of Israel to fully freeze settlement activities. The Government of Japan strongly urges the Government of Israel not to implement the law and desist from unilateral actions that are undermining the viability of a two-state solution. (END)