JOINT DECLARATION

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and

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WHEREAS, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (hereafter referred to as "UNIDO"), headquartered in Vienna, Austria, is a specialized agency of the United Nations with the primary responsibility to promote inclusive and sustainable industrial development in developing countries and economies in transition;

WHEREAS the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan (hereafter referred to as "METI"), based in Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, has the mission to develop Japan's economy and industry by focusing on promoting economic vitality in private companies and advancing external economic relationships, and securing a stable and efficient supply of energy and mineral resources;

WHEREAS the Ministry of Economy, Environment and Agriculture of Ukraine (hereafter referred to as "Mineconomy"), based in Kyiv, Ukraine, serves as the central executive authority responsible for the development and implementation of state policy in such areas as economic and social development, foreign trade, non-strategic industrial sectors, pricing, technical regulation and standardization, environmental protection, agriculture and food security, investment and foreign economic activity, innovation and entrepreneurship, labor and employment;

WHEREAS the Government of Japan, through METI, is financially supporting a project implemented by UNIDO entitled "Green Industrial Recovery Project for Ukraine through Technology Transfer from and the Co-creation of New Businesses with Japan's Private Industries" (hereafter referred to as the "Project"), in cooperation with Mineconomy;

WHEREAS UNIDO, METI and Mineconomy have a well-established record of collaboration through the implementation of various technical cooperation projects;

NOW THEREFORE, the Deputy to the Director General and Managing Director of UNIDO, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan and Minister of Economy, Environment and

Agriculture of Ukraine (hereafter collectively referred to as the "Signatories") declare their shared intention to deepen their cooperation and ensure the effective implementation and progress of the Project through the following measures:

- 1. Establish a Tripartite Industrial Policy Dialogue to exchange experience, knowledge, and perspectives on the formulation and implementation of industrial policies, with the overarching objective of supporting Ukraine's economic and industrial recovery.
- 2. Promote the emergence of new businesses enabled by the Project, and support the development of diverse industrial sectors that leverage Ukraine's potential and comparative advantages through the Tripartite Industrial Policy Dialogue.
- 3. Provide the following contributions to operationalize the Tripartite Industrial Policy Dialogue:
 - a. Mineconomy shares relevant information on the current status and prospects of Ukraine's economy and industrial base, including identified market needs and challenges affecting trade, investment and sectoral development aligned with the Project's scope;
 - b. METI offers insights and experience from Japan's industrial policy development and implementation, especially in areas relevant to the Project;
 - c. UNIDO contributes lessons learned from technical cooperation programmes globally, along with its institutional knowledge and expertise in supporting Member States with industrial policy planning and implementation.
- 4. Facilitate increased trade and investment flows and contribute to the improvement of Ukraine's business environment in line with the Project's objectives.
- 5. Organize capacity-building activities, jointly by METI and UNIDO, including forums or exchange opportunities for Ukrainian public officials engaged in the design and application of industrial policy instruments under the framework of the Project.
- 6. Develop industrial policy advisory outputs that contribute to the medium- and long-term recovery of Ukraine's economy and industrial sector in alignment with the Project. In addition, pursue efforts to facilitate trade and investment and promote an enabling business environment in Ukraine.
- 7. Discuss potential support measures for new businesses developed through the Project, including follow-up and scale-up strategies such as attracting investors, building partnerships, and engaging relevant public institutions in support of trade and investment.

The Signatories acknowledge that this Joint Declaration is not legally binding and does not establish fiduciary, legal, or financial obligations, and should not be interpreted as an international treaty within the meaning of international law. Any actions pursued under this Declaration are subject to the availability of resources – financial, human, or technical – within the framework of the Project.

This Declaration will be in operation for the duration of the Project.

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