Regarding COVID-19 vaccination certificates recognized as valid in application of the New Border Measures (31)

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In applying measures based on New Border Measures (31) (August 25, 2022), COVID-19 vaccination certificates recognized as valid, in principle, fall under any of the categories 1 or 2 below.

1. COVID-19 vaccination certificates issued in Japan which fall under any of the categories (1)-(3) below, and prove that at least three doses of COVID-19 vaccine are inoculated.
   (1) COVID-19 vaccination certificates issued by either the Government of Japan or a local public authority/municipality in Japan (The COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate for overseas travel)
   (2) Documents to prove vaccination for COVID-19 issued by a local public authority/municipality in Japan
   (3) Records of Vaccination for COVID-19 issued by medical institutions in Japan

2. COVID-19 vaccination certificates issued abroad which fulfill all the three requirements (1)-(3) below.
   (1) All relevant items described below should be listed on the certificate either in Japanese or English:
       Name, date of birth, product name or manufacturer of vaccines, vaccination date, number of COVID-19 vaccine doses (Note 1)
   (Note 1) COVID-19 vaccination certificates written in languages other than Japanese or English are considered as valid if the translation (Japanese/English) is attached and all the items are clearly identifiable.

   (2) The certificate should prove that at least three doses (as for JCOVDEN, intramuscular injection / Janssen and CONVIDECIA / CanSino Biologics, two doses are counted as three doses) of any of the COVID-19 vaccines prescribed in the Emergency Use Listing Procedure of the World Health Organization (WHO) are inoculated. (Note 2)
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(Note 2) Details of types of vaccines considered as valid will be announced by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan (MHLW) separately. Mix-and-match vaccines are also considered as valid.

(3) The certificate should be issued by an official body, such as a government.

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