## Visa Waiver Arrangements for Short-Term Stay based on Passport Registration System

The visa waiver arrangements for short–term stay for <u>nationals of the State of Qatar</u> commence from 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023.

Nationals of the State of Qatar in possession of ICAO compliant e-passports with <u>a seal</u> <u>of "Visa Waiver Registration"</u> may enter Japan without obtaining a visa if the purpose of visit is <u>Short-Term Stay.</u>

A seal of "Visa Waiver Registration" will be issued at Embassies, Consulate-General or Consular offices of Japan. Once you obtained a seal of "Visa Waiver Registration", you are not required to apply for short-term visa for a period of validity of the seal (3 years or until the expiry date of your passport.).

Note: Nationals of the State of Qatar travelling to Japan must obtain either a **Seal of** "**Visa Waiver Registration**" (for not exceeding 30 days stay) or a <u>Visa</u> (for more than 30 days stay).

< Outline of the Visa Waiver Registration >

Purpose of Visit: Short-Term stay (including business purpose)

Duration of Stay: 30 days

Period of Validity: 3 years (or expiration date of the passport)

Application fee: Free

Processing Time: Registered passport can be collected on the next working day.

**Requirements:** 1) Application Form for Passport Registration

2) Passport (ICAO compliant e-Passport)

3) Passport Colour Copy (the pages of status items)

## \*You must obtain a visa:

- if the duration of stay in Japan exceeds 30 days.
- if the purpose of visit is not Short-Term Stay.

<sup>\*</sup>Special/Diplomatic Passport Holders are exempted from obtaining a visa or a seal of "Visa Waiver Registration".