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Agenda Item: Developing International Legal Frameworks for the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI)

 Japan is located in East Asia, which includes many countries that are key players in the global AI ecosystem, such as China and South Korea. Japan has been doing remarkable researching on balancing technological advancements with ethical considerations, particularly due to its aging population. Japan is also known as a global leader in AI Technologies like humanoid robots, self-driving cars, smart factories and suchlike.

While Japan is in a well-positioned point to play a leading role in developing international laws, regulations and constutions for the use of AI; many developing or underdeveloped countries lack the capability to do so. Only 7% of the countries worldwide can be considered advanced in AI. The fact that only a small portion of the world can use such a great power as AI in areas such as warfare, economics, and politics could lead to monopolization, and as this gap grows, conflicts may arise. Furthermore, the misuse of this power could also lead to significant issues.

To develop international frameworks for AI, we need to take significant steps. Firstly, we can work with international organizations like OECD, G20, UN and propose frameworks to ensure equitable access to AI technologies across different countries by creating international funding mechanisms to support AI researches in developing countries. By assisting countries, we can also gain allies in a possible war. Next, we can develop a global rulebook for the countries that agreed to compliance with the rules in it when using AI. The rules in it should be flexible so they can change as AI advances and it also must be adaptable enough because of how different the cultural norms and politics that the countries are following. Through this approach, we could begin to view AI as a potential international peacekeeper.

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