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## Japan Expresses Continued Interest In U.S. Soybeans

USSEC and several of its industry members participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> US-Japan Soy Food Alliance Summit in Tokyo. The series of meetings provided a forum for U.S. and Japanese representatives to exchange information on market conditions, soybean variety development and the prosperity of the Japanese food soy market. USSEC members engaged during the meetings were Knewton Soy Products, Ceres Commodities, The DeLong Company, The Scoular Company, SunOpta and Shillinger Seed. During the discussions, the Japanese soy food industry expressed a commitment toward continuing to seek ways to work with U.S. soybean growers and exporters in sustaining market-appropriate soybean and soy product supplies. Specifically, Japan wants to continue a dialogue with the U. S. soybean industry through a regular series of individualized association meetings.



*The activities of the U.S. Soybean Export Council to expand international markets for U.S. soybeans and soy products are made possible by producer checkoff dollars invested by the United Soybean Board and various State Soybean Councils, support from cooperating industry, and through the American Soybean Association's investment of cost-share funding provided by USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service.*