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Dear Hans, Lisa and Michel,

Japanese Committee on Undersea Feature Names, or JCUFN, is submitting 11 proposals to SCUFN for consideration during its 23rd meeting in Callao, Peru, in September 2010.

All of the Japan's proposals for 23rd SCUFN are resulted from reviewing of the reserve section of the Gazetteer, which are relevant to the action items SCUFN22/45 and SCUFN22/46. The Japan's proposals for 23rd SCUFN in fact include two categories: proposal for new names and for re-definition of coordinates of the undersea features. The table below summarizes this scheme.

The names in the blue portion are directly relevant to the action items. We dealt with 11 undersea features in the reserve section. Among these, four resulted in new names (Urahara Seamount, Kametoku Seamount, Suesaki Knoll, and Irago Knoll), another four resulted in redefinition of the coordinates (Uda Spur, Satsuma Seamount, Oki-Daito Rise, and Yabe Seamount), and three are still in reserved status (Nishi-Shichito Trough, Suda Ridge, and Unnamed2 Seamount).

JCUFN considered that it needs more time to fully review the three features, and therefore would ask SCUFN to keep these three in the reserve section.

The names in the yellow portion are by-products of this reviewing of the reserve section. One feature, the Oki-Daito Ridge, resulted in a new name, whereas two features (the Ogasawara Plateau and Ogasawara Rise) resulted in redefinition of the coordinates.

Geographic Name	Generic Type	Latitude	Longitude	JCUFN's decision	Comment
Nishi-Sitito	Trough	33°30' N	139°00' E	TBD	Still be "reserved"
		32°55' N	138°55' E		
		32°30' N	138°50' E		
Suda	Ridge	25°47' N	149°10' E	TBD	Still be "reserved"
		26°10' N	144°50' E		
Uda	Spur	24°30' N	147°15' E	Uda Spur	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)
		25°34.0' N	147°13.0' E		
Unnamed2	Seamount	28°37.4' N	131°28.0' E	TBD	Still be "reserved"
Unnamed3	Seamount	28°38.4' N	131°39.3' E	Urahara Seamount	New Name
Unnamed4	Seamount	26°54.5' N	133°58.0' E	Kametoku Seamount	New Name
Unnamed5	Seamount	27°06.2' N	134°13.2' E	Satsuma Seamount	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)
Unnamed6	Plateau	24°37.0' N	129°35.0' E	Oki-Daito Rise	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)
Unnamed13	Hill	32°09.0' N	136°25.0' E	Suesaki Knoll	New Name
Unnamed14	Knoll	33°00.0' N	137°23.3' E	Irago Knoll	New Name
Yabe	Plateau	26°08' N	145°22' E	Yabe Seamount	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)
				Oki-Daito Ridge	New Name
				Ogasawara Plateau	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)
				Ogasawara Rise	Redefinition of the coordinates (or poligon)

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