

# Japanese Government Identified Issues Related to AI and Copyrights

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Aiming to address creators' concerns and to minimize risks of copyright infringement by artificial intelligence (AI) developers and users, **the Agency for Cultural Affairs, Government of Japan** convened panels at the Legal System Subcommittee of the Copyright Committee on 26 July 2023 and 5 September 2023 to identify issues to resolve in relation with generative AI and copyrights as roughly noted below:

## Do *Inputs* to AI Infringe Copyrights?

- **the Agency for Cultural Affairs, Government of Japan** identified

## Do *Outputs* From AI Infringe Copyrights?

- **the Agency for Cultural Affairs, Government of Japan** identified

## Are AI-Generated Products Copyrightable?

Products generated autonomously by AI are not copyrightable. AI-

generated products generated by humans with their creative intentions and contributions would likely be copyrightable. An issue would be how to make the factor “creative contributions” more specific.

The Agency is aiming to publish their views on how to resolve the issues identified. It would be important for any AI developer or user to follow this development in order to prevent any copyright infringement by the development or use of AI.

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