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**Bangladesh intervention on the UPR of Japan**

Thank you Madam President. My delegation extends its warm welcome to the delegation of Japan led by H.E. Hideaki Ueda, Ambassador in charge of human rights and humanitarian Affairs.

Japan is a country rich in culture, history and tradition. Its commitment to human rights is well-demonstrated by its actions, especially for persons with Disabilities and the protection of human rights on the Internet. We particularly commend the government of Japan for provisions to take appropriate measures in response to infringements of human rights of other persons committed in the Internet.

Japan has been an important financial contributor to the work of the Human Rights Council for three consecutive years. It is also one of largest donors of ODA, a large part of which goes to social sector. We are happy to note that Japan is committed to the right to development by actively engaging in international cooperation despite severe fiscal pressures and devastating earthquake and tsunami it experienced last year. We commend its contribution to the sectors of health, gender equality and for the rights of persons with disabilities. We appreciate Japan for the importance it attaches to the MDGs.

We recommend that Japan:

1. Increases its un-earmarked contribution to the OHCHR;
2. Continues to provide ODA in the areas of socio-economic development; and
3. Continues its protection measures in response to infringements of human rights of other persons, such as defamation and invasion of privacy committed through internet.