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Madame President,

The Republic of Cyprus would like to thank Japan for the preparation of a comprehensive national report covering the main issues at stake, as well as its very informative and thorough presentation by [...].

Cyprus commends Japan for its strong commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights and for the concrete measures that the Japanese Government takes to implement its international human rights obligations.

Madam President,

We recognize the efforts the Government of Japan is making in the direction of the protection of human rights of women, including initiatives for the better integration of women in the labour market, their participation in decision making processes and initiatives to prevent violence against women. In this regard Cyprus notes with satisfaction the initiation of the Third Basic Plan for Gender equality, which sets the direction of long-term policies that can contribute to the realization of a gender-equal society.

In this same vein, Cyprus would like to ask the following question: What measures might the Government of Japan envisage to assist the physical and mental recovery and social integration of women that have been victims of violence, including domestic violence and sexual assault?

I thank you Madame President

George Yiangou