

UPR of Austria – Statement of Japan**9 November 2015**

Thank you, Mr. President,

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of Austria to this session.

Japan welcomes the efforts made by Austria since the last UPR recommendations to provide equal treatment for children, women, senior citizens and persons with disabilities. We particularly note Austria's efforts to improve gender equality in the employment market and expect Austria to make further efforts to decrease the gender pay gap.

In regard to Austria's policy on receiving immigrants and refugees, Japan **recommends** that Austria give due consideration to human rights, particularly those of children and persons with disabilities, and continue to make efforts to ensure transparency in all procedures related to its treatment of immigrants and refugees.

Japan notes with concern reports that support for minorities in Austria has been insufficient and **recommends** that Austria provide increased support for minorities.

Thank you.