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## UPR of Georgia - Statement of Japan

**10 November 2015** 

Thank you Mr. President,

Mr. Kansulte NAGAOKA Minister, Pernanut Misson of Japan

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of the Government of Georgia to this session.

Japan commends Georgia on the active measures it is taking to improve its human rights situation, including protection of political and civil rights and protection for the cultures of ethnic minorities.

From the point of view of sexual orientation and gender identity, we also commend Georgia for its adoption of the Law on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination in May 2014.

In the first-cycle of the UPR, Georgia was recommended to increase the participation of women in policy-making. However, we note the reports that the situation has not been improved. Japan **recommends** that Georgia continue to implement measures to promote the participation of women in society.

Finally, Japan **recommends** that Georgia early ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (ICPPED).

Thank you.