**UPR of the Kingdom of Norway**

**Statement by Mr. SHIMIZU Yohei, First Secretary**

**The Permanent Mission of Japan in Geneva**

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Thank you, Mr./Madam [Vice-] President.

Japan appreciates the positive steps taken by the Kingdom of Norway since the previous review cycle to further improve its human rights situation, including the ratification of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from enforced Disappearance.

Japan also commends Norway on its high degree of gender equality and on its commitment to achieving even greater gender equality. We also commend Norway’s initiative to incorporate the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities into its Human Rights Act.

To achieve further progress, we recommend that the Kingdom of Norway:

1) continue to expand the competence-boosting measures related to hate crime being implemented for law enforcement officials; and

2) redouble its efforts to further reduce income inequality and eradicate poverty, particularly child poverty.

We wish the delegation of the Kingdom of Norway every success in the review.

I thank you.