**UPR of Peru - Statement of Japan**

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Thank you, Mr. Vice President.

Japan welcomes Peru’s adoption of the National Human Rights Plan 2014-2016, which aims to strengthen policies focusing on human rights. We expect Peru to continue to engage in the promotion and protection of human rights under this plan.

Japan appreciates the measures taken by the Peruvian authorities to extend the number of temporary stay permit grants to foreigners in need of protection from a humanitarian perspective.

Japan commends Peru on its initiatives to follow up on the recommendations from the last Review, including its adoption of a new legislative framework and the implementation of a national plan and policy to address violence against women. Japan **recommends** that Peru take on board the continued concerns of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies in regard to femicide and other forms of violence against women, and take further measures to eradicate such violence, including those to prevent incidents from arising, as well as investigation and punishment of offenders.

As we have received more detailed information today, Japan welcomes Peru’s various initiatives for the protection of indigenous peoples, including the enactment of Act No. 29785 on the Right of Indigenous or Aboriginal Peoples to Prior Consultation and its regulations. Japan **recommends** that Peru continue to work to improve the access to justice and the economic, social and cultural rights of ethnic minorities and indigenous people.

Thank you, Mr. Vice President.