**UPR of Paraguay — Statement of Japan**

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Thank you.

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of the Republic of Paraguay to this session.

Japan highly appreciates the positive steps taken by Paraguay to give effect to human rights commitments and recommendations, especially additional measures taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in this difficult moment.

Japan would like to make two recommendations:

1. make effective efforts to further strengthen administration of justice; and
2. strengthen efforts to promote and protect the right of persons with disabilities.

We wish the delegation of Paraguay every success in the review.

I thank you.