**UPR of Thailand — Statement of Japan**

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Thank you.

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of Thailand to this session.

Japan highly appreciates the positive steps taken by Thailand since the previous review cycle, notably the passage of domestic bills on torture and forced disappearances in the Parliament this year.

Japan also welcomes Thailand’s adoption of its National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights in 2019, with the aim of promoting human rights and sustainability throughout the country.

Japan would like to make three recommendations:

1. ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance;
2. improve the human rights situation, including by ensuring freedom of expression; and
3. continue to implement additional measures to promote the rights of women, children and persons with disabilities by improving their access to social services, including health care and education, particularly in rural areas.

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

I thank you.