**UPR of Syria — Statement of Japan**

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Japan continues to have serious concerns over the human rights situation in Syria. The violence must be brought to an end as soon as possible, and human rights should be ensured for all people in Syria.

Japan emphasizes that all parties to the Syrian armed conflict must respect both international human rights law and humanitarian law in all parts of the country, both now and in the future.

In this regard, Japan would like to make two recommendations:

1. proceed to build an environment conducive to the safe and voluntary return of refugees and IDPs; and
2. disclose information on persons detained arbitrarily or unjustly by the authorities and proceed with their immediate release.

I thank you.