**JAPAN**

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**Statement by Iceland (no 65)**

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Mr. President,

Iceland welcomes the delegation of Japan and its national report.

Iceland makes the following recommendations:

1. Abolish the death penalty.
2. Implement CSE inside and outside of schools, in line with international standards.
3. Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights.
4. De-criminalize abortion and amend the Maternal Protection Act to guarantee access to safe, timely and affordable abortion care without the requirement of spousal consent.
5. Recognize ‘sexual intercourse without consent’ as sexual crime and raise the age of consent for sexual conduct.
6. Legalize same-sex marriage.
7. End coerced sterilization of transgender persons under the legal gender recognition process.

I wish Japan all success for its review.

I thank you.