**UPR of Qatar — Statement of Japan**

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Thank you, Mr. President.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the delegation of the State of Qatar to this session. Japan appreciates Qatar’s accession to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in 2018. We also appreciate the efforts made by the Government of Qatar to improve the rights of foreign workers, such as promulgation of its new legislation.

Japan would like to make the following recommendations:

1. take further steps to protect and promote women’s rights, including the right to participate in society; and
2. take additional measures to protect the rights of foreign workers, including domestic workers.

I wish the delegation of the State of Qatar every success in its review.

I thank you, Mr. President.