**UPR of Spain — Statement of Japan**

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Thank you, Madam President.

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of Spain. Japan appreciates the remarkable participation of women in Spain’s political domain, as illustrated by the continued realization of gender parity within the cabinet of the new government instituted in January 2020. Japan also values the positive steps taken by Spain to protect the human rights of migrants.

In order to further improve its human rights situation, Japan recommends that Spain:

1. take further actions to promote and protect the human rights of women, including the prevention of violence against women; and
2. continue taking coordinated actions with the European Union for the protection of the human rights of migrants, while noting the concerns expressed by human rights treaty bodies and other UN entities.

Japan wishes the delegation of Spain every success in its review.

I thank you, Madam President.