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Thank you, Madam President.

Japan congratulates Kenya for being the first country in Africa to put in place its National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights. We believe that Kenya’s active engagement with the Working Group on Business and Human Rights has set a good example in the region. Japan also commends Kenya’s efforts to promote women’s political participation through strengthening its legislation.

Japan would like to make three recommendations:

1. increase efforts to promote women’s political participation;
2. ensure that all human rights are duly respected and protected in the run up to and during the coming general elections in 2022; and
3. continue to protect and promote the right to health for all, through strengthening Universal Health Coverage.

We wish the Delegation of Kenya every success in this review.

I thank you, Madam President.