**UPR of the United States — Statement of Japan**

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Thank you, Madam President.

Japan warmly welcomes the delegation of the United States of America to this session.

Japan highly appreciates the United States’ positive commitment to advancing responsible business conduct (RBC) and to promoting the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. Japan also appreciates the steps taken by the US to ensure fairness to all citizens in the community.

Japan recommends that the United States:

1. take further measures to realize its commitment to eliminating racial discrimination, including by providing human rights education to law enforcement officers; and
2. ratify CEDAW (the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women), the CRC (the Convention on the Rights of the Child), and the CRPD (the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities) as soon as possible.

We wish the delegation of the US every success in the review.

I thank you, Madam President.