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Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Japan and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Liechtenstein recognizes Japan's commitment to preventing and ending mass atrocities, as evidenced by its joining of the Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against atrocity crimes and its commitment to international criminal justice, as evidenced by its ratification of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC). Liechtenstein recommends that Japan ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute on the crime of aggression.

Liechtenstein welcomes that Japan has accepted recommendations made during previous "Universal Periodic Reviews" to create an independent human rights institution. However, Liechtenstein noted that Japan has not yet established an independent national human rights institution, in accordance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (the Paris Principles), with a broad mandate to promote and protect women's rights, including protection against multiple forms of discrimination. Liechtenstein recommends that Japan establish, within a clear time frame, an independent national human rights institution, in accordance with the Paris Principles and ensure that its mandate covers women's rights and gender equality. Finally, Liechtenstein recommends that Japan consider the abolishment of the death penalty and the implementation of an immediate moratorium on its execution.