

DELEGATION OF JAPAN TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

Statement by the Delegation of Japan to the
Conference on Disarmament
The Tenth Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty
"A Political Declaration for the next decade of the ATT"

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Mr President,

Japan would like to thank the delegation of the UK for the initiative to draft a Political Declaration which we think it is very timely on the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the ATT.

We stand now at the critical juncture for the next decade. The 10th anniversary of the ATT provides an important opportunity to highlight our past achievements and to reaffirm our political commitment to further implementation of the ATT for the next decades and beyond.

The political declaration recalls the object and purpose of the ATT and recognises the ATT as a key instrument to prevent transfers of conventional arms which could be used to commit or facilitate serious violations of international law, and to prevent the illicit trade in conventional arms.

Japan fully supports the endorsement of the Political Declaration as an important milestone, and remains committed to the ATT.

I thank you.