



DELEGATION OF JAPAN
TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

Japan fully aligns itself with the Joint Statements delivered by the distinguished delegate of Australia as well as by the distinguished delegate of Germany.

We are deeply concerned about North Korea's continued advancement of weapons of mass destruction and ballistic missile capabilities. We urge North Korea to cease its destabilizing actions and to comply with its international obligations under relevant UN Security Council resolutions to abandon all nuclear weapons and existing nuclear programs, as well as any other WMD and ballistic missile programs, in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner. By diverting its resources into weapons of mass destruction and ballistic missile programs, North Korea further aggravates its already dire humanitarian situation. We reiterate our call on North Korea to engage in diplomacy toward denuclearization and accept the repeated offers of dialogue put forward by Japan, the United States and the Republic of Korea.