



DELEGATION OF JAPAN
TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

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Mr. Chair,

At the outset, Japan would like to thank the Secretariat for facilitating this working group throughout this year.

Reporting serves to build confidence among states parties and contributes to international and regional peace, security and stability. Reporting is also important for achieving a key objective of the ATT, which is to promote greater transparency and accountability in the international arms trade.

Japan has been submitting its annual reports on time and making them publicly available, including this year. In submitting the report, we rely primarily on data from the Ministry of Defense and the Customs authorities to fulfill our reporting obligations, with appropriate support from those ministries and agencies.

Japan is ready to share our experience and practices in data collection and interagency coordination among the domestic authorities and contribute to future informal meetings under the voluntary reporting champion initiative, if our experience can help states that are facing reporting challenges.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.