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SUMIHIRO KUYAMA (JAPAN) ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF FIFTH COMMITTEE

Sumihiro Kuyama, who was elected today as Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary), is a Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations.

Before joining the Permanent Mission of Japan in 1975, Mr. Kuyama was in the Bureau for Programme Policy and Co-ordination of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), beginning in 1970. From 1968 to 1970, he served in the Co-ordination Bureau of the Economic Planning Agency of Japan.

He has represented Japan on the Fifth Committee since 1978, and served as Vice-Chairman last year during the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly. Mr. Kuyama has also been a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) since 1979.

Mr. Kuyama was Japan's representative on the Ad Hoc Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations from 1975 to 1977, on the Budgetary and Finance Committee of the UNDP Governing Council from 1976 to 1979, and on the Committee on Administration and Finance of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Executive Board.

Born on 10 October 1936 in Japan, Mr. Kuyama received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Tokyo and his Masters from Sophia University in Tokyo.

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