Representative of Japan
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Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate you on your election as the chairman of the Committee, and assure you that we will extend our full support to you during this session. I also congratulate the other members of the Bureau.

Heartbreaking stories of lives, human dignity, and historic artifacts lost to scourges by terrorist organizations fill the top coverage of international news today. No country is free from the threats posed by terrorism, as Japan was given a sobering reminder earlier this year by tragedies in Syria and Tunisia that involved Japanese victims. Japan joins other delegations in condemning terrorism in all its forms and manifestations and reiterates our commitment to combating terrorism.

Mr. Chairman,

In order to tackle terrorism, international society must cooperate and work on comprehensive counter-terrorism measures. In this regard, Japan makes an effort according to three pillars: 1) Strengthening counter-terrorism measures, 2) Enhancing diplomacy towards stability and prosperity in the Middle East, and 3) Assistance in creating societies resilient to radicalization. As our recent efforts, we are focusing on strengthening border security capacities of countries in North Africa and the Sahel, through capacity building projects of the UN agencies and bilateral cooperation for the placement of surveillance cameras in Tunisian and Moroccan airports. Japan also makes efforts to enhance counter-terrorism dialogues with several countries and organizations, including ASEAN. Additionally, Japan engages in countering violent extremism, which is an underlying factor of terrorism, and will implement relevant projects, such as a CVE conference at the Hedayah center next

year.

Mr. Chairman,

Japan reiterates its determination to contribute to the eradication of terrorism and expresses its expectation for the UN's leadership in this field.

I thank you.