

DELEGATION OF JAPAN TO THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

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Mr. President,

Japan would like to thank the Management Committee for its preparation of the draft proposal on the review of the ATT programme of work.

Japan attaches great importance to the streamlining of the programme of work of the ATT and values accommodating a rolling agenda and flexible timetable to improve the overall efficiency of substantive discussions. Japan considers that the working group meetings and informal preparatory meetings that took place this year were efficient in general and worked well under the revised programme. Japan would prefer to continue the format of the CSP10 sessions from CSP11 onwards.

However, we also share the view that a formal assessment would require more time due to insufficient experience with the new programme of work and working methods, to allow a proper evaluation. Japan supports the proposal by the Management Committee (MC) to extend the trial period by an additional year.

I thank you.