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**The Tenth Meeting of States Parties  
to the Convention on the Use, Stockpiling, Production,  
Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction**

**Statement by Japan**

**Geneva, 3 December 2010**

**Evaluation of the Implementation Support Unit**

Mr. President,

At the outset, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to Ambassador Eckay for leading constructive discussions on the <sup>ISU</sup> ~~Implementation Support Unit~~ and Mr. Caughley for his presenting a comprehensive and balanced analysis of the ~~Unit's~~ institutional framework, tasks and responsibilities and financing.

Mr. President,

The Government of Japan highly values the contribution of the ISU to the effective implementation and operation of the Convention, and we are convinced that ensuring its sound and efficient operation into the future is of vital importance. For that reason, it is imperative to prioritize specification of the ISU's activities based on available financial resources. Japan is of the view that there should be a clear demarcation between those administrative works under the ISU's mandate and those primarily belonging to state parties' responsibilities, and the financing model should be formulated accordingly.

Based on this basic position, we support continuing discussions on a feasible, comprehensive model for financing the ISU as mentioned in the Final Report and Recommendations. The Government of Japan stands ready to constructively engage in the future discussions of the open-ended working group.

I thank you. *Mr. President*