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Mr. President,

Japan appreciates OHCHR's written and oral reports on the human rights situation in Ukraine.

Japan hopes that all parties concerned will implement the Minsk agreement in full respect of the sovereignty and the territorial integrity of Ukraine. Japan urges all parties concerned to provide OHCHR and other international monitors, free and unlimited access to non-government-controlled regions of Donetsk and Luhansk in eastern Ukraine, and the Crimean Peninsula.

According to OHCHR's report, detainees have been subjected to torture and ill-treatment in the conflict-affected regions of eastern Ukraine, especially both side of the contact line. Japan is concerned by repeated human rights violation in these areas.

Freedom of movement is still far from guaranteed due to the ongoing prohibition of crossing the contact line by public transportation.

Mr. High Commissioner,

What kind of measures do you think would be necessary in order to guarantee the freedom of movement, one of the key fundamental human rights?

And also, what type of monitoring measures do you think would be the most effective to monitor the human rights situation in Donetsk, Luhansk and the Crimean peninsula, given the barriers to OHCHR's enjoyment of free and unlimited access in these regions?

I thank you, Mr. President.