## Agenda item 26: Marrakesh Treaty MVT/A/3/1

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

First of all, this delegation would like to welcome the fact that the number of contracting parties to the Marrakesh Treaty has steadily been increasing.

Last April, the Japanese Diet approved Japan's accession to the Marrakesh Treaty. Japan is working to deposit the instrument of accession on October 1st.

We recognize that this treaty is important to facilitate access to published works for the blind, visually impaired, and otherwise print disabled.

Therefore, we hope that more member states will accede to the Marrakesh Treaty and the cross-border exchange network of this Treaty will grow further.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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