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on

Item 62 (a): Advancement of women

Item 62 (b): Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference
on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly

Third Committee

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Mr. Chairman,

It is an honor to address the Third Committee on behalf of the Government

~~of Japan on the implementation of the advancement of women~~

actively engaged in the work of creating a gender-equal society and promoting women's empowerment, based on a series of internationally agreed principles and instruments, including the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. As we approach the year 2010, Beijing +15, I would like to take this opportunity to share

~~with you some of our commitments, views and achievements~~

entity at the sixty-third session of the General Assembly. We must bear in mind the need to avoid duplication and fragmentation and thus, simply creating a new gender entity is not sufficient to ensure the coherence of the entire UN system. To this end, it is our intention to engage actively in the upcoming discussions on this

House of Representatives, which accounts for 11.3 per cent of the total seats, the highest proportion in our history. Although the pace of progress may seem slow, Japan will continue to make every effort to achieve its goals.

Mr. Chairman,

Japan wishes to warmly welcome the convening of the Beijing +15 meetings, which are to be held at the next session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in March. At the last session, the focus of discussion was on the 1995 Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.