Explanation of vote by Japan

"Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons" (A/C.1/61/L.45)

Madam Chairperson,

I would like to explain Japan's voting on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.1/61/L.45, entitled "Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons," which Japan supported in the voting.

I should like to take this opportunity to stress that the issue of the negative security assurance (NSA) should be dealt with without prejudice to and be based on the result of the ongoing discussions in the CD.

Thank you.