• **General appreciation of the issues of information security**
  Japan believes that cyberspace should be a space where freedom is assured without unnecessary restrictions, and where all actors who wish to access it are neither denied nor excluded without legitimate reason. Our efforts comply with the following five principles: free flow of information, rule of law, openness, self-governance, and multi-stakeholder approach.

• **Efforts taken at the national level to strengthen information security and promote international cooperation in this field**
  1. **Efforts taken at the national level to strengthen information security**
     Based on “Cybersecurity Strategy” established in September 2015, Japan makes efforts to strengthen information security.
  2. **Efforts taken at the national level to promote international cooperation.**
     Japanese efforts consist of the following three pillars: promoting (1) the rule of law in cyberspace, (2) confidence building measures, and (3) capacity building. With regard to the promotion of the rule of law, Japan proactively contributes to international discussion to promote common understanding that the existing international law is applicable in cyberspace as well as to develop non-binding and voluntary norms of responsible state behavior. As for confidence building measures, Japan is engaged in the promotion of confidence building through bilateral dialogue and multilateral framework such as the ASEAN Regional Forum. With regard to capacity building, Japan is actively engaged in human resource development assistance and technical cooperation focusing on ASEAN region.

• **The content of the concepts mentioned in paragraph 3 of the resolution**
  The confirmation of the applicability of international law and development of non-binding and voluntary norms of responsible state behavior in cyberspace are the basis for ensuring stability and predictability of the international community.

• **Possible measures that could be taken by the international community to strengthen information security at the global level**
  With regard to the promotion of rule of law, Japan urges the need for further elaboration of deliberation about peacetime rules of international law, the law concerning the right of self-defense and international humanitarian law as well as development of voluntary norms in the next GGE. As for confidence building measures and capacity building, it is critical to promote the implementation of the
recommendations contained in the GGE reports by each state and region. Study on ways to lead tangible cooperation is necessary.