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on the Work of its 51<sup>st</sup> Session

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Mr. Chair,

At the outset, I would like to express my gratitude to the Chair of UNCITRAL

For presenting the report of the Commission on the work conducted during its 51<sup>st</sup> Session

excellent chairmanship. Japan is pleased that the UN Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation and the model law were finalised and adopted at the 51<sup>st</sup> Session of the Commission.

Japan hopes the Working Group will progress on future work on arbitration.

**(3) Working Group III (Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform)**

Japan hopes Working Group III will follow the work sequence stipulated in the mandate without prejudice to the final outcome and conduct discussions in an inclusive manner. Japan emphasizes that UNCITRAL's work should be based not on perceptions or impressions about ISDS but on the facts related to the current investment arbitration system.

**(4) Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce)**

Japan recognizes the importance of the current work of Working Group IV on the topics of identity management (IdM) and trust services as well as of cloud

computing, to support online digital transactions in international trade.

Japan hopes that Working Group IV continues to pay due attention to technological neutrality as it progresses in its work.

**(5) Working Group V (Insolvency Law)**

Japan congratulates UNCITRAL on its finalization and adoption of the Model Law on the Recognition and Enforcement of Insolvency-Related Judgments and its