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**Japan (on behalf of States members of the Asian Group):
draft decision**

**2002/... Sub-Commission resolution 2000/17 on reservations
to human rights treaties**

The Commission on Human Rights, taking note of resolution 2001/17 of 16 August 2001 of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in which the Sub-Commission decided to entrust one of its members with the task of preparing an expanded working paper on reservations to human rights treaties, bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 48/31 of 9 December 1993 and 49/51 of 9 December 1994 in which the Assembly endorsed the decision of the International Law Commission to include in its agenda the topic “The law and practice relating to reservations to treaties”, reaffirming Commission on Human Rights decision 2000/109 of 26 April 2000, to which was annexed the report of the intersessional open-ended working group on enhancing the effectiveness of the mechanisms of the Commission on Human Rights (E/CN.4/2000/112), in particular paragraph 50 of the annex, which states that the work of the Sub-Commission should take full account of the need to avoid

duplication with the work being undertaken by other competent bodies, recalling Commission resolution 2001/60 of 24 April 2001 and its decision 2001/113 of 25 April 2001 in which it requested the Sub-Commission to reconsider its request in the light of the work under way by the International Law Commission, welcoming the fact that, in its sixth report on reservations to treaties (A/CN.4/518), the International Law Commission referred to Commission decision 2001/113 as reflecting its concern on this matter, decides that the Sub-Commission should reconsider the proposed study in the light of the present decision and the aforementioned resolutions and decisions.
