
CLOSING REMERKS

*Closing Remarks by Mr. Masaki Sasaki
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Thank you Ms. Chairperson. Distinguished delegates, and ladies and gentlemen,

First of all, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the chairperson for her guidance and chairmanship. And as the co-ordinator of this workshop, I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the moderators, presenters and panellists for their great contribution to this workshop. I also thank the delegates for their participation.

I believe that this workshop served as a great opportunity to share the wisdom of many criminal justice specialists concerned about the problems of prison overcrowding. The strategies and best practices presented and exchanged here will contribute immensely to Member States' efforts to redress the harm caused thereby. Thus, I am glad that our workshop has become an important milestone on the road to the resolution of this significant problem.

For countries afflicted with prison overcrowding, UNAFEI, the United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, plans to further disseminate the outcomes of this workshop. So that the insights and knowledge derived here today will have a long-lasting, practical impact, UNAFEI will incorporate them into its future training programmes and include them in its publications. As such, I genuinely hope that UNAFEI, as a co-ordinator, will be able to further contribute to advancing the achievements of the workshop.

In closing, once again, let me express my sincere gratitude to you all for your fruitful discussions and inputs.

Thank you very much.