

## **Submission to the Universal Periodic Review of Japan (3rd Cycle)**

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**Title: Extensive and Systematic Surveillance and Profiling of Muslims in Japan**

The Attorney Team for Victims of Illegal Investigation against Muslims (“Attorney Team”) was established in response to leak of internal investigation of Japanese police on the Internet that occurred in October 2010. The leak revealed that the police have collected and stored detailed personal information of Muslims and their family members in Japan through extensive and continuous surveillance and monitoring of mosques and Muslim communities. The Attorney Team have conducted various activities including filing law suits against the police for the

purpose of (i) pursuing the problems of the police's investigation, and (ii) making the police authorities acknowledge the facts about illegal investigation against Muslims and information leakage and take appropriate measures. In our view, the real problem is an investigation policy hostile to the entire Muslim communities in Japan, and we have been working to advocate for Muslim victims and prevent the surveillance and leakage of information.