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Official Development Assistance (ODA) Seminar:

Japan's Cooperation Policy to the Republic of Suriname

A seminar on Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) policy to the Republic of Suriname took place at 11:30 a.m. at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname. The presentation was made by His Excellency Mitsuhiko Okada, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Suriname.

The aim of the seminar was to enhance understanding of Japanese assistance amongst relevant officials in the Republic of Suriname and to pave the way for future cooperation. Ambassador Okada's presentation focused on Japan's policy for assistance, the various forms of assistance available, and the application process of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) schemes. In his presentation, Ambassador Okada indicated that priority areas for assistance to the Republic of Suriname include disaster risk reduction and environment.

The seminar was attended by Mr. Michiel Raafenberg, Permanent Secretary (Ag.), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname, and representatives from various ministries and organizations, including the National Coordination Center for Disaster Management, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Ministry of Social Affairs, Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, Ministry of Regional Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs, Ministry of Justice and Police, Ministry of Finance, and the E-Government Commission.

The Government of Japan welcomes further opportunities to work with the Republic of Suriname, all with a view to advancing sustainable development through continued cooperation.

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Ambassador Okada presenting about Japanese ODA scheme



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