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PRESS RELEASE

**Japanese Government Funds Project for Constructing the Dormitory for Persons with Disabilities**

The completion ceremony for the Grant Assistance for the Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) entitled “The Project for Constructing the Dormitory for Persons with Disabilities” took place at 11:00 a.m. on September 25, 2015 at the Dominica Associations of Persons with Disabilities, Canal Lane, Goodwill, Roseau. Dominica Associations of Persons with Disabilities received a grant of up to US\$36,254 from the Government of Japan for the construction of a dormitory, which will be used for the community of the persons with disabilities throughout the Commonwealth of Dominica.

The ceremony was attended by His Excellency Charles Angelo Savarin, President of the Commonwealth of Dominica and Mrs. Savarin, along with, His Excellency Mitsuhiro Okada, Ambassador of Japan and Mrs. Okada. Mrs. Nathalie Murphy, Director, Dominica Associations of Persons with Disabilities, the Honourable Roslyn Paul, Minister of Commerce, Enterprise and Small Business Development as well as the Honourable Daniel Lugay, Parliamentary Representative, Roseau North Constituency, also attended the ceremony.

In his speech, Ambassador Okada praised the DAPD for their ongoing contributions over the past 30 years, to the development and welfare of persons with disabilities throughout Dominica. Ambassador Okada also congratulated Mrs. Murphy and the entire team at the DAPD on this, their second successful partnership with the Government of Japan, as both projects offer invaluable contributions to the disabled community of persons with disabilities.

The Government of Japan welcomes further opportunities to work with the Government and the people of the Commonwealth of Dominica, all with a view to strengthening the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding which exist between the two countries.

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