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PRESS RELEASE

Japanese Government Funds Project for Renovating the Dominica Community High School in the Commonwealth of Dominica

The signing ceremony for the Grant Assistance for the Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) entitled “Project for Renovating the Dominica Community High School” took place at 2:00 p.m. on September 25, 2015 at the Dominica Community High School, Savanne Park, Roseau. The Dominica Community High School received the first grant-aid of the current GGP cycle of up to US\$89,988 from the Government of Japan. This grant assistance will be used for the replacement of the school’s roof and upgrades to the existing solar electrical system.

The ceremony was attended by His Excellency Mitsuhiro Okada, Ambassador of Japan and Mrs. Okada, along with, Mrs. Celia Nicholas, Principal, Dominica Community High School. Representatives from the Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development, Ms. Marcella Powell, Permanent Secretary, Mrs. Melina Fontaine, Chief Education Officer, and Mrs. Nazarine Williams-Titre, Senior Education Officer for Secondary Schools, also attended the signing ceremony.

His Excellency Mitsuhiro Okada, during his first GGP Signing Ceremony speech as Ambassador to the Commonwealth of Dominica, praised the Dominica Community High School for their implementation of sustainable development and ongoing green initiatives at the school, which will directly benefit from the objectives of this project through the roof replacement and electrification upgrades. Ambassador Okada also commended all those who attended the ceremony in light of the recent Tropical Storm Erika, informing everyone of Japan’s most recent contributions to the urgent needs of affected communities, while further re-assuring the Government of Japan’s willingness to offer additional assistance in rebuilding the Commonwealth of Dominica.

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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