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PRESS RELEASE

Signing Ceremony for school renovation project in Saint Lucia

The Signing Ceremony for the Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) entitled “The Project for the Renovation of Riviere Doree Anglican Combined School” was held at 2:15 pm on Wednesday 21 February 2018, in the Conference Room of the Finance Administrative Centre in Pointe Seraphine, Castries, Saint Lucia.

Riviere Doree Anglican Combined School is set to receive a grant totaling US\$74,480 from the Government of Japan for the renovation of the building that houses the school’s infant department. When completed, the project is expected to improve the structure’s sanitation and safety and create an improved learning environment for the school’s approximately one hundred students.

His Excellency Mitsuhiro Okada, Ambassador of Japan, and Mrs. Secodina Alcee, Acting Principal of Riviere Doree Anglican Combined School, signed the grant contracts on behalf of the two signatory parties. In his speech, Ambassador Okada stated that Japan values the importance of engaging with civil society actors, including schools and NGOs, in lending support to the people of Saint Lucia, and viewed the ceremony as a significant step towards the strengthening of bilateral relations.

Archdeacon Christian Glasgow, Chairman of the Anglican Education Central Board of Management, and Mr. Kendal Khodra, Deputy Chief Education Officer with responsibility for Planning in the Ministry of Education, Innovation, Gender Relations and Sustainable Development, both extended words of sincere appreciation to the Government of Japan for its contribution to education in Saint Lucia. Also in attendance at the ceremony was Mrs. Ruffina Charles, Deputy Chief Education Officer with responsibility for Instruction.

The Government of Japan welcomes further opportunities to work with the Government and People of Saint Lucia, with a view to strengthening the bonds of friendship and mutual understanding which exist between the two countries.

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His Excellency Mitsuhiro Okada, Ambassador of Japan, delivers remarks



Archdeacon Christian Glasgow, Chairman of the Anglican Education Central Board of Management, addresses the Ambassador



Mr. Kendal Khodra, Deputy Chief Education Officer with responsibility for Planning in the Ministry of Education, Innovation, Gender Relations and Sustainable Development gives remarks



Mrs. Secodina Alcee, Acting Principal of Riviere Doree Anglican Combined School, and Ambassador Okada sign the grant documents



Left to right: Mrs. Ruffina Charles, Deputy Chief Education Officer with responsibility for Instruction; Archdeacon Christian Glasgow; Mrs. Mari Okada, wife of the Ambassador; Ambassador Mitsuhiro Okada; Mrs. Secodina Alcee; Mr. Kendal Khodra; and Ms. Shermika Tobierre, Mistress of ceremonies

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