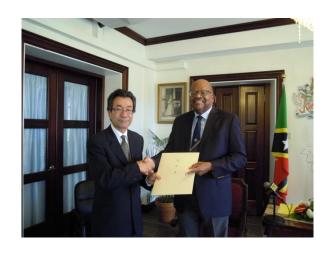
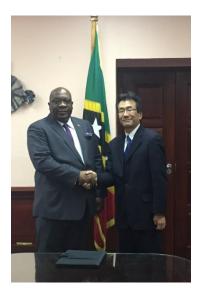
Presentation Ceremony of Credentials to Saint Christopher and Nevis

Mr. Tatsuo Hirayama, Ambassador of Japan to Saint Christopher (St. Kitts) and Nevis, presented his credentials to His Excellency Sir Samuel Seaton, Governor General of St. Kitts and Nevis, on Monday 18 March, at the Office of the Governor General. Ambassador Hirayama also paid courtesy calls to Dr. the Honourable Timothy Harris, Prime Minister of St. Kitts and Nevis, the Honourable Mark Brantley, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Aviation, Ms. Kaye Bass, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Aviation, and Mr. Alphonso Bridgewater, President, St. Kitts and Nevis Olympic Committee.

Following his Presentation of Credentials, Ambassador Hirayama informed Governor General Seaton of his intention to strengthen cordial bilateral relations and cooperation in the fields of disaster risk management and the sustainable use of marine resources. In response, Governor General Seaton expressed deep appreciation for Japan's assistance to St. Kitts and Nevis, especially in the fields of climate change and disaster risk management, and also expressed his hope for the advancement of the two countries' bilateral relations.



Presentation of Credentials by Ambassador Hirayama (left) to H.E. Governor General Seaton (right)



Ambassador Hirayama paid a courtesy call to Prime Minister Harris (left)



Ambassador Hirayama pays a courtesy call to Minister Brantley (right)



Ambassador Hiryama greets the Permanent Secretary, Ms. Bass (left)



Ambassador meets with SKNOC President, Mr. Bridgewater (right)