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PRESS RELEASE

Signing of Grant Contract for Fisheries Equipment Project in Dominica

The Fisheries Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries of the Commonwealth of Dominica is set to receive US\$61,224 from the Government of Japan, for its Grant Assistance for the Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) entitled “The Project for the Procurement of Ice-makers and Container”.

The grant contract for this project was signed by Mr. Riviere Sebastien, Chief Fisheries Officer, on behalf of the Fisheries Division on Thursday 21 February 2019, while His Excellency Tatsuo Hirayama, the newly-accredited Ambassador of Japan to the Commonwealth of Dominica, signed on behalf of his Government. Through this grant, the Fisheries Division will be able to fund the procurement of 2 ice-makers and a container which will be placed at the Roseau Fishing Complex. Mr. Sebastian highlighted the importance of procuring this equipment as part of efforts to recover the fishing industry, which was heavily damaged by the passage of Hurricane Maria in 2017.

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

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