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PRESS RELEASE

Japanese Government Funds Project for Constructing Classrooms at St. Mary's Junior School

The signing ceremony for the Grant Assistance for the Grass-roots Human Security Project (GGP) entitled "The Project for Constructing Classrooms at St. Mary's Junior School" took place at 8:30 a.m. on March 25, 2014, at the St. Mary's Junior School, St. Georges, Grenada. St. Mary's Junior School will receive a grant of up to US\$120,447 from the Government of Japan for the construction of three classrooms which will be used for various classes for the community.

The ceremony was attended by Mr. Hirofumi Murabayashi, Counsellor of the Embassy of Japan and Mr. Brian Charles, Principal of St. Mary's Junior School. The Honourable Nicholas Steele, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Honourable Tobias Clement, Parliamentary representative for St. George's North-East were also in attendance along with the invited guests and medias.

In his speech, Mr. Murabayashi stated that this project allows the school to provide students and vocational trainees with an enhanced learning environment. Furthermore, he stated that he has no doubt that this project is truly one which meets basic human needs and Japan is very pleased that it can assist the project through the GGP especially since this year marks the Japan-CARICOM Friendship year 2014.

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

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Attached are pictures of the ceremony which may be resized and distributed.

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