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As per the Development Cooperation Charter, the Government of Japan will cooperate with countries which have vulnerabilities particular to Small Island Developing States and provide assistance according to the development needs and financial capacity of the targeted countries; including those countries which have attained a certain level of Gross National Income. The Government of Japan will cooperate with CARICOM member countries by utilizing Japan’s skills and knowledge in pursuing the First Pillar of the Ministerial Joint Statement between Japan and CARICOM: “Cooperation towards sustainable development including overcoming vulnerabilities particular to Small Island Developing States,” which was adopted by the Fourth Japan-CARICOM Ministerial-Level Conference held in November 2014. Taking into account the First Pillar, the Government of Japan has decided to provide the necessary development support to Trinidad and Tobago, which has graduated from the OECD/DAC List of ODA Recipients, based on the country’s development needs.

### Annex of the Country Assistance Policy

### Rolling Plan for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

#### As of April 2020

### Basic Policy of Assistance

**Overcoming Vulnerability (common to all CARICOM Member Countries)**

[Diplomatic Consideration, etc.]

### Priority Area

**Environment and Disaster Risk Management**

#### Background and current situation

As Trinidad and Tobago is a Small Island Developing State, flood damage caused by heavy rainfall has been a chronic problem; thus, there is a need to address this challenge through community-based capacity building on disaster management. Furthermore, Trinidad and Tobago is a crude oil producing country, and the nation is one of the largest per capita emitters of carbon dioxide in the world; thus, the conversion to renewable energy and the promotion of energy efficiency are important issues. In the field of solid waste management, the government of Trinidad and Tobago has been promoting the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle), and is implementing legislation in this field.

#### Strategy

Support for overcoming vulnerabilities particular to Small Island Developing States will be provided based on the result of research on development assistance needs, while taking into account the possibility of sharing expertise and experience and promoting synergy among neighbouring island countries in the field of disaster risk management, energy efficiency and renewable energy, and solid waste management.

### Improvement of Environment and Disaster Risk Management

**Program for Improvement in Environment and Disaster Risk Management**

Japan will provide support for overcoming vulnerabilities particular to Small Island Developing States in the fields of disaster risk management, renewable energy and energy efficiency, and solid waste management based on the result of research on development assistance needs.

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