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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Handover Ceremony for the Project for Enhancing the Healthcare System through the Provision of Medical Equipment for Guyana**

The handover ceremony for medical equipment procured under the Project for Enhancing the Healthcare System through the Provision of Medical Equipment took place on April 5, 2022, in Georgetown, Cooperative Republic of Guyana.

This multi-country project, which is valued at US\$ 4.6 million in total, is being implemented under the management of the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS). As part of this project, 4 Land Cruiser ambulances, 4 mobile x-ray machines, 5 autoclaves of 50 liters, 20 EGG recorders, 39 handheld pulse oximeters and 8 portable ultrasound scanning systems were handed over to the Ministry of Health of Guyana to improve the capacity of Guyana's healthcare system against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Government of Japan was represented by Mr. KAMADA Yasuhiko, Counsellor, Embassy of Japan, who was joined for the occasion by The Honourable Dr. Frank Anthony, Minister of Health of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, Ms. Yesim Oruc, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Guyana and Mr. Alejandro Rossi, Director of the UNOPS Multi-Country Office for the English & Dutch Caribbean, Costa Rica and Panama.

The Government of Japan will continue to offer its support in areas such as disaster prevention, environment, energy, waste management and fisheries in order to overcome the vulnerabilities inherent to small island countries as well as to promote friendly relations and mutual understanding with Caribbean countries.

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Mr. Kamada, Counsellor of the Embassy of Japan, delivers remarks



Mr. Rossi, Director of the UNOPS Multi-Country Office, delivers remarks



From left to right: Mr. Rossi, Ms. Oruc, Minister Anthony, Mr. Kamada



Handing over from Mr. Kamada to Minister Anthony