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Emergency Grant Aid in Improving Cold Chain in Mozambique and other countries

On the 27th of April, the Government of Japan decided to extend the Emergency Grant Aid to 723,310 US dollars for Mozambique. This amount is a part of grant which is approximately 39 million US dollars to African, Latin American and the Caribbean countries that suffer from the impact of the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

1 This assistance will provide Mozambique and other countries with cold chain equipment including medical equipment such as cold-storage facilities and transportation, as “Last One Mile Support” to ensure vaccination in each country, through the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF).

2 Currently, ensuring equitable access globally including in developing countries and accelerating vaccination is the common challenge for the international community towards the goal of containing COVID-19. Japan has been contributing to formulating the COVAX Facility, an international mechanism for the procurement of vaccines, and has already made financial contribution of 200 million US dollars in total. Japan’s Emergency Grant Aid this time aims to deliver vaccines to each and every person in the all corners of developing countries, which will complement efforts of the COVAX Facility.

3 Based on its experience in helping to build medical supply networks that reach every corner of developing countries, Japan will continue to extend support to deploy vaccines to every person in the world with a view to containing COVID-19 as quickly as possible.

[Recipient countries]

(Africa: 25 countries)

Algeria, Angola ,Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, South Sudan, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

(Latin America and the Caribbean: 6 countries)

Guatemala, Haiti, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Venezuela

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