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Press Release

Japan handed over medical equipment to the Marshall Islands

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On Wednesday, November 3, 2021, His Excellency Norio Saito, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Republic of the Marshall Islands handed over medical equipment, namely two (2) ultrasound scanners and ten (10) bedside monitors, to the Ministry of Health and Human Services (MOHHS). The handover ceremony was attended by Secretary of Health and Human Services Jack Niedenthal, Chief of Staff Dr. Robert Maddison, doctors and nurses of Majuro Hospital and representatives from Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The medical equipment handed over today is a part of Japan's approximately 3 million US dollars assistance following the blood pressure manometers and stethoscopes provided in July 2020. In addition to these medical equipment, radiography system, fluoroscopy radiography system, C-arm and CT scanner will be delivered once it is ready.

At the ceremony, Ambassador Saito stated that Japan has been assisting the basic health care services of the Marshall Islands by providing and renewing medical equipment since it supported the construction of Majuro Hospital in 2003. He added that at the 9th Pacific Islands Leaders Meeting in July, strengthening health systems was announced to be a priority area of Japan's cooperation and therefore Japan would continue to support medical services by providing quality medical equipment.

Secretary Jack Niedenthal extended his appreciation for Japan's continued assistance in providing medical equipment particularly noting that the new bedside monitors are quite useful as they can detect carbon dioxide (CO2) levels which current monitors cannot.

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