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### Press Release

# Japan handed an Ambulance and other related materials through IOM

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On Friday, March 15th, 2024, Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Ambassador TANAKA Kazunari, handed over an ambulance and related materials to the Ministry of Health and Human Services (MOHHS). The ceremony was attended by Honorable Ota Kisino, Minister of Health and Human Services, Honorable Jess Gasper Jr., Minister of Culture and Internal Affairs, Honorable Ladie Jack, Mayor of Majuro Atoll Local Government, Ms. Francyne Wase-Jacklick, Secretary of Health and Human Services, Ms. Angela Saunders, Head of Majuro International Organization for Migration (IOM) sub office, as well as medical officers and hospital staff in MOHHS.

The ambulance handed over is part of Japan's assistance to the Project for Strengthening Capacity of Border Control for Responding to Infectious Diseases in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and other 6 Pacific Island Countries in collaboration with IOM. In addition, with the only two ambulances available, this vehicle will be very useful and contribute to improving the response to the health emergency cases.

At the ceremony, Ambassador TANAKA expressed his sincere gratitude to the people concerned at the Ministry of Health and Human Services, together with many volunteers for their dedication and hard work which was put into the project in the aim of enhancing overall border management intervention enhancement.

On behalf of the RMI Government, Minister Kisino conveyed his heartfelt gratitude to the Government and people of Japan as well as IOM for their unwavering support. He stated that the ambulance will serve as a vital lifeline of transportation of those in need. Minister further added that the ambulance will greatly impact and strengthen health response to make sure that nobody is left behind.

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