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Handover Ceremony of Ambulance to Somaliland through United Nations Population Fund

On 14th March 2016, His Excellency Tatsushi Terada, Ambassador of Japan to Somalia, attended the Handover Ceremony of Ambulance to the Ministry of Health in Somaliland hosted by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in Hargeisa, Somaliland. The Government of Japan has supported UNFPA's project on reduction of maternal and neonatal mortality of Somali mother and newborn babies through the supplementary budget.

Ambassador Terada stated that UNFPA's project that aims to improve reproductive and maternal health fits Japanese assistance policy to Somalia and commended the Ministry of Health in Somaliland for its commitment in improving maternal health and maintaining a good working relationship with UNFPA.

Mr. Nikolai Botev, UNFPA Representative, thanked the Government of Japan for being a reliable partner in the quest to ensure that no woman and child die during birth. Mr. Botev reiterated UNFPA's commitment to support the investments in a safer and brighter future for the Somali mothers and children and pledged to continue supporting the project.

Mr. Hassan Dahir Dimbil, Vice Minister for Health, expressed Somaliland's gratitude to the People of Japan and UNFPA for the assistance and partnership.



The ambulance handed over to Somaliland



(From left to right) Ambassador Terada, Mr. Botev (UNFPA) and Mr. Hassan (Ministry of Health)