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PRESS RELEASE

Completion of the Project for Establishment of New Building for Jasmine Charitable Society, Funded by Japan

Today, December 4th,2017, Mr. Takeshi Okubo, Ambassador for the Palestinian Affairs and Representative of Japan to Palestine, visited Jasmine Charitable Society for Children with Special Needs in Ramallah Governorate to celebrate the completion project funded by the Government of Japan through **Japan's Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects (GGP).**

The grant of US$ 90,448 was extended to Jasmine Charitable Society for Children with Special Needs. The GGP grant was used to complete the first floor of the new building which the Society constructed to increase its capacity significantly. Upon the project completion, the Society will effectively meet the rehabilitation services of about 150 children with disabilities in an adequate and safe environment.

In his speech, Mr. Okubo emphasized Japan's firm commitment of supporting Palestinian people from human security perspective as well as the importance of implementing social and economic development projects needed for Palestinian communities.

Since 1993 the Government of Japan has extended its official development assistance to approximately US$1.8 billion, to the Palestinians. GGP projects have been formulated in collaboration with the Palestinian Authority through Ministry of Finance and Planning since 2010. (END)