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Embassy of Japan

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**Signing of Grant Contracts
for the Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Projects
(KUSANONE)**September 22, 2000 at 15:30 p.m.
at the Equipe Samdech Euv Department
(on Sothearos Boulevard)

and

same date at 16:30p.m.
at the Cambodian Red Cross
(Editors are invited for reporting and photo coverage)

In response to the appeal by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies for international assistance for severe flooding in Cambodia, the Government of Japan has decided to grant additional emergency assistance of US\$ 174,980, through its Japanese Grant Assistance for Grass-roots Projects scheme called "KUSANONE", to the Equipe Samdech Euv and Cambodian Red Cross to help the flood victims. In this amount:

- US\$ 80,100 is to enable the Equipe Samdech Euv to purchase necessary household kits for 5,000 families who are severely affected by flood water in 7 provinces along the Mekong River, which are: Kandal, Prey Veng, Takeo, Kompong Cham, Kompong Chhnang, Kompong Thom and Siem Reap and
- US\$ 94,880 is to enable the Cambodian Red Cross to provide household kits for 1,000 families whose houses were totally destroyed, and emergency operation items for 5,000 families in 13 provinces inundated by flood water.

The Grant Contracts will be signed on Friday, September 22, 2000 at 15:30 p.m. at the office of H.E. UM EM in the department of Equipe Samdech Euv between Mr. EIJI YAMAMOTO, Chargé d'Affaires a. i. of the Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and H.E. UM EM, Under Secretary of State of the Royal Palace, and at 16:30 p.m. at the president's office of the Cambodian Red Cross between Mr. YAMAMOTO and Lok Chumteav BUN RANY HUN SEN, President of the Cambodian Red Cross.

Since September 14, the total amount of Japanese emergency grant assistance to flood victims in Cambodia has been US\$ 461,980 (four hundred and sixty one thousand nine hundred and eighty US dollars).