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## Press Release

### Japan Supports HI and Municipality of Sohmor

On February 5 2018, H.E. Mr. Matahiro Yamaguchi, Ambassador of Japan to Lebanon signed a grant contract with Mrs. Caroline Duconseille, Head of Mission of Humanity & Inclusion (HI)\* in the presence of Brigadier General Ziad Nasr, Director of Lebanon Mine Action Center (LMAC). The Embassy provides a grant of up to USD 600,999 to fund the demining activities in Batroun, Koura, and Bcharre districts of North Lebanon. This project will benefit around 35,100 people living around the contaminated areas, which will be used for agricultural and residential purposes.

On the same day, Ambassador Yamguchi concluded a grant contract with Mr. Mohamed Al Kechen, Mayor of the Municipality of Sohmor in West Beqaa. The Government of Japan provides up to USD 88,730 to fund the installation of a water tank that will provide clear water to around 1,000 residents and Syrian refugees.

Japanese Government is committed to continue supporting municipalities and demining NGOs in order to enhance the quality of people's living conditions and support vulnerable people in Lebanon.

\*The organization changed its name from Handicap International Federation to Humanity & Inclusion.