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Press Release

Japan Supports the National Council for Scientific Research in Lebanon

The Embassy of Japan provided advanced laboratory equipment and instruments to the National Council for Scientific Research in Lebanon (CNRS-L) in order to enhance researches, studies, and analysis of archaeological ruins in Lebanon.

On the occasion of the project completion, on November 7 2018, H.E. Mr. Matahiro Yamaguchi, Ambassador of Japan to Lebanon, attended the ceremony organized by CNRS-L. The Ceremony was also attended by Mr. Sarkis Khoury, General Director of Antiquities representing the Minister of Culture, H.E. Mr. Ghattas Khoury, and Dr. Bilal Nsouli, General Director of the Lebanese Atomic Energy Commission (LEAC).

With a grant of USD 605,800 through the Cultural Grant Assistance Program, the General Directorate of Antiquities in collaboration with the National Council for Scientific Research will be able to analyze samples from the discovered archaeological materials to determine their source and the era it belongs to. In addition, NCSR-L will be able to study ancient civilizations and preserve human history accordingly.

During the ceremony, H.E. Ambassador Yamaguchi commended the Ministry of Culture, the General Directorate of Antiquities, the National Council for Scientific Research, and the Lebanese Atomic Energy Commission for their efforts and fruitful collaboration in implementing the project and highlighted Japan's strong commitments to assist Lebanon. Meanwhile, Dr. Moein Hamza, Secretary General of CNSR, expressed his deep appreciation for the Japanese support to people in Lebanon over the years.