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Lifesaving Health and Nutrition Services for Syrian Children and Women in Za'atari and Azraq camps

The Government of Japan has decided to extend an Emergency Grant Aid to the United Nations United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), in May 2018 which amounts to 1,000,000 USD, under a project titled "Lifesaving Health and Nutrition Services for Syrian Children and Women in Za'atari and Azraq camps."

This ceremony was held at the Hospital in Azraq camp located in Village 2 on Monday July 30th 2018; in the presence of H.E. Mr. Hidenao Yanagi; Ambassador of Japan in Jordan, and Mr. Robert Jenkins, Representative of UNICEF Jordan.

This Emergency Grant Aid was given to ensure the urgent needs of vulnerable children and women are met through quality and timely immunization and nutrition services, and also that urgent medical needs of vulnerable children are met through quality and timely primary and secondary health services.

In a speech delivered during the closing ceremony H.E. the Ambassador stated:

"The Government of Japan decided to provide additionally an emergency grant assistance of 1 million USD to UNICEF in May 2018 for the project titled "Lifesaving health and nutrition service for Syrian Children and Women in Azraq and Zaatari camp.

We believe that it is crucially important for pregnant and lactating women and children who are living in the camp to ensure access necessary to lifesaving health and nutrition service and this project allows some estimated number of more than 43,000 women and children in camps to access pediatric consultations, immunizations, and nutrition service through UNICEF and its partners...."

In February this year, the Government of Japan decided to extend approximately 17.5 million US dollars to the international organizations and NGOs operating in Jordan, and approximately 2 million US dollars was allocated for UNICEF to provide assist to vulnerable Syrian refugees.

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