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## Press Release

His Excellency Taro Kono, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, will lead a delegation to pay an official visit to the Kingdom of Cambodia on 08 April 2018, with a view to strengthening the bilateral relationship between Japan and Cambodia.

During his visit in Cambodia, His Excellency Taro Kono will pay a courtesy call on Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and hold a bilateral meeting with His Excellency Prak Sokhonn, Senior Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

In a ceremony to be presided over by Samdech Techo Prime Minister, His Excellency Senior Minister Prak Sokhonn and His Excellency Taro Kono will sign the Exchange of Notes and Record of Discussions on the following Official Development Assistance extended by the Government of Japan to the Royal Government of Cambodia:

- 1- Japanese Grant Aid of five hundred million Japanese Yen (¥500,000,000) for the implementation of the Economic and Social Development Program in Cambodia; and
- 2- Japanese Loan of nine billion and two hundred and sixteen million Japanese Yen (¥9,216,000,000) for the implementation of the Phnom Penh City Transmission and Distribution System Expansion Project (Phase 2) (II).

It should be noted that 2018 marks the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Cambodia and Japan.

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