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Action on Nutrition; Launching of IFNA: Initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa

Cohosted by the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)

1. Background

Recalling the Malabo Declaration and Sustainable Development Goal 2 that aspire to end hunger and improve the nutrition status in the world and particularly in Africa, JICA is pleased to propose that a new framework be established, called "Initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa (IFNA)" to accelerate the international efforts to alleviate hunger and malnutrition on the African continent.

IFNA emphasizes the importance of several specific values. It focuses on facilitating people-centered and practical activities, through empowerment of women, as well as action-oriented policy enhancement, in order to achieve inclusive nutritional improvement with an impact. It also underscores synergistic outcomes among multi-sectorial activities such as agriculture, health, education, and private sectors. In addition, it stresses the importance of an evidence-based approach to support policymakers to make decisions based on proper monitoring and evaluation. Lastly, it also emphasizes an appropriate coordination between short-term humanitarian interventions and mid/long-term development interventions in order to enhance sustainability and resilience of communities in the African region.

2. Objectives

To serve as the launch of a new initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa (IFNA), at the same time, to consider how international community can accelerate efforts to alleviate hunger and malnutrition on the African continent.

3. Key Questions

- How can help international community to accelerate efforts in order to alleviate hunger and malnutrition in the African Continent?
- What kinds of interventions would be effective to achieve that?
- How can stakeholders cooperate each other to achieve that?

4. Speakers

[PART1]

- Dr. Shinichi Kitaoka, President, JICA
- Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, Chief Executive Officer, NEPAD Agency
- Dr. José Graziano da Silva, Director General, FAO
- Dr. Nwanze F. Kanayo, President, IFAD
- Ms. Elisabeth Rasmusson, Assistant Executive Director, WFP
- Dr. Omar Abdi, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF
- Dr. Matshidiso Rebecca Moeti, Director for Africa, WHO
- TBD, African Development Bank
- Mr. Shawn Baker, Director of Nutrition, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Government of Senegal

[PART2]

- TBD, Scaling Up Nutrition
- TBD, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture
- TBD, Japan Food Industry Association (Nutrition Japan Public-Private Platform)
- TBD, Government of Madagascar
- TBD, Government of Ghana
- TBD, Alliance Forum Foundation
- TBD, United States Agency for International Development
- TBD, Ajinomoto Co., Inc
- TBD, Kikkoman Corporation
- Helen Keller International
- TBD, Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers
- TBD, Japan Results