

Statement of Mr. Hidenobu Sobashima, Ambassador of Japan to Zambia  
at the signing ceremony for the Project for the Construction of  
a New School Building at Kine Community School in Mumbwa,  
Central Province

Pastor Reberiah Monde, Executive Director and Members of the Community  
for Human Development,

It is my honour and pleasure to sign the grant contract, on behalf of the  
Government of Japan, of a project of “Grant Assistance for Grassroots  
Human Security Projects”, i.e. the Project for the Construction of a New  
School Building at Kine Community School in Mumbwa, Central Province.

We appreciate the activities of the Community for Human Development to  
expand primary education including the establishment of the Kine  
Community School in Mumbwa, to fight HIV/AIDS, and empower the youth  
and women, among other activities.

The school established by you now has seen the increase of students there,  
resulting in the insufficient space for their education and lack of a staff room,  
and requested Japan to consider assistance.

We considered and decided to extend 714,999 Kwacha ( US\$ 76,956) for  
constructing a new building with three class rooms and providing necessary  
furniture.

When completed, the new building will accommodate additional 120  
students and provide a room for the teaching staff to prepare for their  
classes.

I hope that the construction will proceed smoothly and the benefits which I  
mentioned will be realized soon.

Thank you.