

FAMILY PLANNING 2020 COMMITMENT

GOVT. OF JAPAN

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The following text summarizes the commitment made by the government of Japan at the London Summit on Family Planning on July 11, 2012.

POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS

Japan has placed great importance on family planning for many years, especially in combining maternal health and family planning with community-based approaches, and has succeeded in drastically reducing the maternity mortality rate. In order to share this experience with countries in need, Japan has been providing assistance to a number of countries over the last half-century and will continue to do so. Since 2000, Japan has given more than US \$570 million toward assistance in family planning and two years ago Japan announced a commitment of US \$5 billion over five years. This year, Japan commits to disbursing US \$36 million to UNFPA and IPPF. At TICAD 5 (Tokyo International Conference on African Development) in June 2013, Japan intends to make family planning a key agenda item. Japan recognizes the importance of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and has been working to ensure that MDG 4 (reduce child mortality) and 5 (improve maternal health) will be achieved. Furthermore, Japan is also leading the discussion, in cooperation with other countries like the UK, on post-MDGs. In support of its core values of poverty reduction and human security, Japan believes that family planning would be considered a key pillar in the post-2015 agenda.

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