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Japanese Ambassador visited Debaga 2 camp in Erbil Governorate

1. On 13 January, 2017, Ambassador of Japan to Iraq, H.E. Mr. Fumio Iwai, visited “Debaga 2” internally displaced persons (IDPs) camp by the arrangement of UNHCR, UNICEF, Barzani Charity Foundation, and the Japanese NGO “Peace Winds Japan” (PWJ).
2. During his visit, Ambassador Iwai visited a prefabricated primary school constructed by UNICEF and PWJ, which is expected for its handover shortly to the management of the camp. Ambassador Iwai also met with IDP families living in the camp and listened them about their life in the camp.
3. Japan has contributed to provision of Non-Food Items (NFIs) to 4,000 vulnerable and newly displaced families in Kurdistan Region including families in the Debaga camps last year. On top of that, H.E. Mr. Kentaro Sonoura, State Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, who recently visited Iraq, expressed Japan’s intention to make additional contribution of approximately 100 million US dollars to Iraq, including the Kurdistan Region, for humanitarian assistance and support for the stabilization of liberated areas, upon approval of the supplementary budget FY2016 by the Japanese Diet.

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