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Dear Madam,

Let me first express my appreciation for your tireless efforts in the child protection field in particular those towards the achievement of the SDGs. In achieving the SDGs target 16.2, Japan has been working hand-in-hand with the partners of the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children including UNICEF and NGOs. In this regard, I am pleased to inform you of the following two new commitments from the Government of Japan.

First, Japan will become a pathfinding country of the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children. We hope this will be conducive to increasing the overall number of the pathfinders.

Second, Japan decided to provide support amounting to about 5.9 million U.S. dollars to “the Fund to End Violence Against Children.” Japan is proud to be the first country to contribute to the humanitarian window of the Fund.

In this regard, Japan would like to join the board of the Global Partnership. Mr. Taro Kono, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan, would be honored to serve as its member. In addition, we also wish to join the Fund Steering Committee. As a Japanese representative, we recommend Mr. Toshiya Hoshino, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations, to serve as its member. We would like to have favorable consideration in this regard and we look forward to continuing our collaboration into our future.

I can assure you that Japan is committed to building a better world in which every child grows up free from violence. I appreciate your continued support and wish you every success at the upcoming solutions summit.

Sincerely,



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