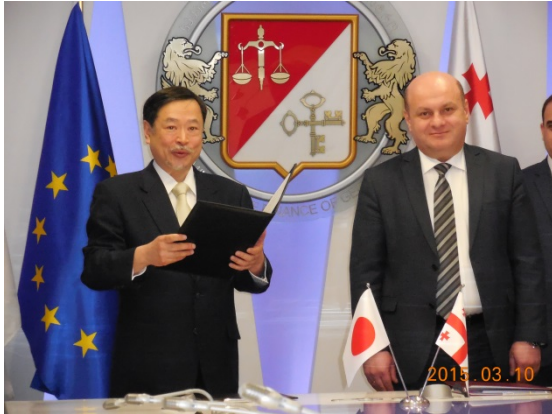


## Signing Ceremony on the Non-project Grant Aid Provided by the Government of Japan



On March 10, 2015, the Signing Ceremony for the Exchange of Notes was held at the Ministry of Finance of Georgia, concerning the provision of five hundred million (500,000,000) Japanese Yen (equivalent to approximately 4.2 million USD) to Georgia through Non-project Grant Aid.

The Exchange of Notes and the relate documents were signed by H.E. Mr. Toshio Kaitani, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Georgia and H.E. Mr. Nodar Khaduri, Minister of Finance of Georgia.

The Present Non-project Grant Aid is to be used for procurement of next-generation eco-friendly vehicles such as Hybrid Vehicle (HV), Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV), Electric Vehicle (EV) and Clean Diesel Vehicle (CD). It is expected that the implementation of the grant aid will contribute to improvement of ecological situations in Georgia.

Japan has implemented various ranges of projects including grant aid, technical cooperation and ODA loan in cooperation with the Government of Georgia, within the framework of its Official Development Assistance (ODA) Program. The size of Japan's ODA to Georgia has reached over 370 million USD, covering a wide spectrum of areas such as improvement of economic infrastructure, agricultural and social sectors, culture and human resources development.