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**SEVERE WEATHER FORECASTING AND
DISASTER RISK REDUCTION DEMONSTRATION
PROJECT - REGIONAL SUBPROJECT RA V**

**Meeting of the Regional Subproject
Management Team**

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WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND
21– 24 APRIL 2009

LETTER FROM JAPAN METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY



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Dear Mr Jarraud,

I refer to your letter WDS/DPFS/RAV-SWFDDP dated 3 March 2009 regarding the Meeting of the Regional Subproject Management Team of the Severe Weather Forecasting Disaster Risk Reduction Demonstration Project – RA V to be held from 21 to 24 April 2009 in Wellington, New Zealand.

The Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) has intention to join the project as a global products centre aiming at enhancing the availability and use of our NWP products in the South Pacific Islands, while I am not able to send our staff to the Regional Subproject Management Team's first meeting, because of the rush after major personnel changes in the beginning of April in the relevant office of JMA.

In this regard, I would appreciate it if the WMO Secretariat would keep us informed of the project development including the outcome of the first meeting, especially the Regional Subproject Implementation Plan. I designate Mr Naoyuki Hasegawa as our contact point on this matter:

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Taking this opportunity, I would like to express my appreciation to the efforts of the Chairperson of the Working Group on Planning and Implementation of World Weather Watch in RA V, Mr Terry Hart, who is leading the project and the great support of WMO Secretariat to this activity, and I hope the meeting will be fruitful and successful.

Yours sincerely,

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