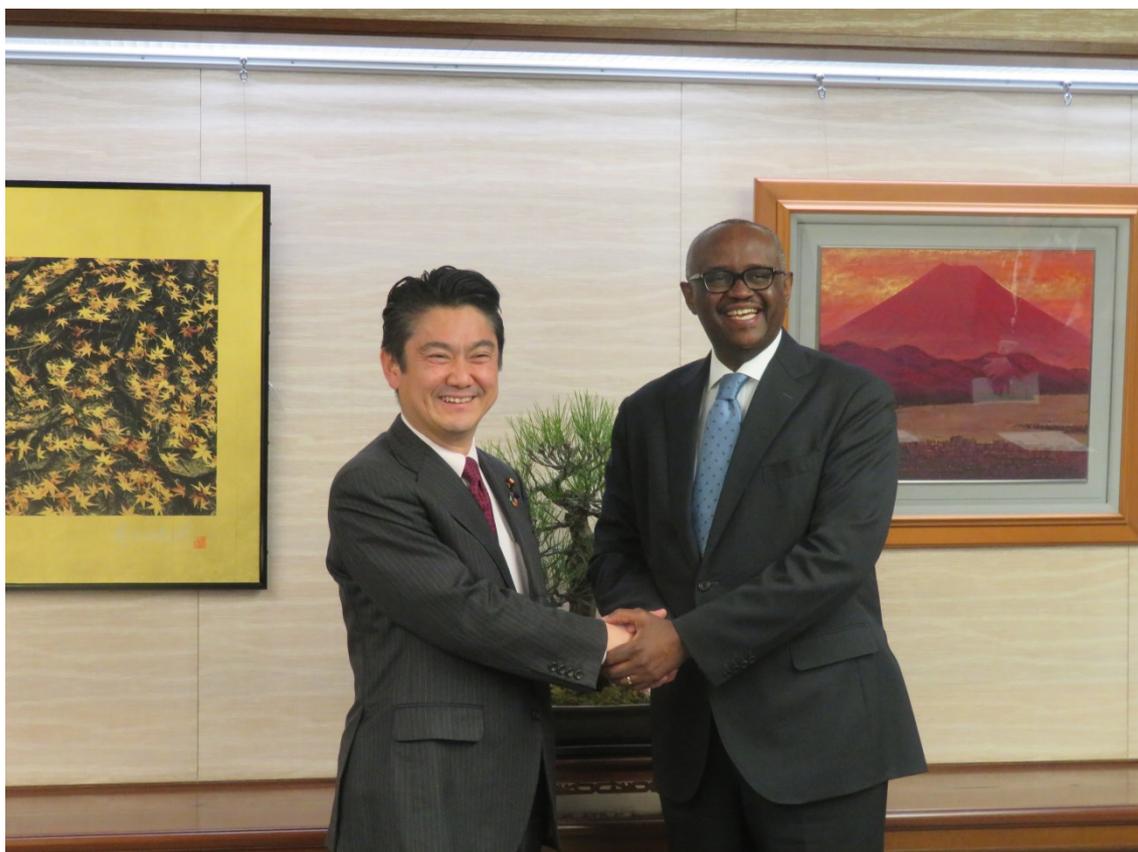


**Minister Yamashita receives a courtesy visit from H.E. Mr. Solomon Karanja Maina, the Ambassador of Kenya to Japan, on February 5, 2019.**

On February 5, 2019, Justice Minister Yamashita received a courtesy visit from H.E. Mr. Solomon Karanja Maina, the Ambassador of Kenya to Japan. An overview of the visit is as follows.

Minister Yamashita welcomed H.E. Ambassador Maina, and stated that he would like to strengthen the cooperative relation in legal affairs between the two countries.

Minister Yamashita further encouraged high level participation from Kenya in the 14th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (the Kyoto Congress), which is to be held in Kyoto in April 2020.



H.E. Mr. Ambassador Solomon Karanja Maina (right) and Minister Yamashita (left)

H.E. Ambassador Maina, in return, expressed his appreciation for Japan's technical assistance for the improvement of the Kenyan juvenile justice system and stated that he would also like to strengthen the cooperative

relationship between the two countries in legal affairs.

H.E. Mr. Ambassador Maina and Minister Yamashita exchanged views on the new status of residence under the amended Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act.