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## Seven Japanese Public Institutions Downgraded Following Japan Sovereign Action; Outlooks Stable

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- We have reviewed the ratings on a number of Japanese government-related entities following our lowering of the sovereign ratings on Japan.
- We are lowering to 'A+' from 'AA-' the long-term issuer credit and debt ratings on JBIC, JICA, JEHDRA, JHF, JFM, and NAA and to 'A-1' from 'A-1+' the short-term ratings on JBIC, JICA, JHF, JFM, and NAA. The outlooks on the ratings are stable.
- We are lowering to 'A' from 'A+' the long-term issuer credit ratings on DBJ and are affirming the 'A-1' short-term rating. The outlook is stable.
- The rating actions on these public institutions reflect those entities' respective relationships with the Japanese government.

TOKYO (Standard & Poor's) Sept. 17, 2015--Standard & Poor's Ratings Services today said it that has lowered to 'A+' from 'AA-' its long-term issuer credit and debt ratings on Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Japan Expressway Holding and Debt Repayment Agency (JEHDRA), Japan Housing Finance Agency (JHF), Japan Finance Organization for Municipalities (JFM), and Narita International Airport Corp. (NAA). At the same time, Standard & Poor's also lowered to 'A-1' from 'A-1+' its short-term issuer credit ratings on JBIC, JICA, JHF, JFM, and NAA. The outlooks are stable. At the same time, we lowered the long-term issuer credit and debt ratings on Development Bank of Japan Inc. (DBJ) one notch to 'A' from 'A+' and affirmed the short-term issuer credit and commercial paper program ratings on the entity at 'A-1'. The outlook on the long-term issuer credit

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rating is stable. We lowered the ratings on DBJ's Japanese government-guaranteed debt to 'A+' from 'AA-'.

The rating actions on the seven entities follow our lowering of the long- and short-term sovereign credit ratings on Japan (see "Japan Ratings Lowered To 'A+/A-1'; Outlook Is Stable," published Sept. 16, 2015).

The ratings on the seven entities are based on Standard & Poor's criteria for rating government-related entities (GRES) (see "Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumptions," March 25, 2015). Standard & Poor's does not consider the stand-alone credit profiles (SACPs) of these GRES or our assessment of the likelihood of them receiving extraordinary government support to have fundamentally changed. Today's rating actions reflect our actions on the sovereign, based on the aforementioned criteria. Under these criteria, we assess the likelihood of the government extending extraordinary support to these GRES to be "very high" for NAA, "extremely high" for JFM and DBJ, and "almost certain" for the other GRES.

### RATINGS LIST

Ratings Lowered; Outlook Action

	To	From
Japan Bank for International Cooperation	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Negative/A-1+
Japan International Cooperation Agency	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Negative/A-1+
Japan Housing Finance Agency	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Negative/A-1+
Japan Finance Organization for Municipalities	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Negative/A-1+
Narita International Airport Corp.	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Negative/A-1+
Japan Expressway Holding and Debt Repayment Agency	A+/Stable/--	AA-/Negative/--
Development Bank of Japan Inc.	A/Stable/A-1	A+/Negative/A-1

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