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AFP AND JIJI PRESS SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE AND JIJI PRESS SIGNED A NEW AGREEMENT IN TOKYO ON THURSDAY GIVING THE JAPANESE NEWS AGENCY EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO SELL CERTAIN AFP CONTENT IN JAPAN FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.

"We are particularly pleased to continue our partnership with Jiji beyond the Tokyo Olympics of 2020", said AFP chairman Emmanuel Hoog.

"This new agreement also offers AFP the possibility of strengthening its presence in all markets in Japan, especially photo and video", added Mr Hoog.

Until 2021, Jiji will have exclusive rights to distribute text, photo and graphics to the Japanese government and institutions as well as to traditional media, with the exception of television broadcasters.

Via its Japanese subsidiary Creative Link Corp., AFP will also distribute multimedia, photo and video products to the major Japanese internet portals and television networks.

AFP and Jiji Press have been partners for more than 60 years.

AFP's sales in Asia represent more than 20 percent of the Agency's international total outside of France, and grew by four percent in Japan in 2016.

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