The report from UNU conversation series

**“Humanitarian priorities”　by　Mark Low cock and Mr. Sebastian.**

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It was unusually a GREAT evening with number of BIG people from UNU, JAICA and other research institutions.

I would like to write 2 points from lecture (first half minutes) which are about background and situation. And next three points are questions and answers from the floor.

[from lecture]

1: In 2018, 106 million people needed help especially from natural disaster including that of manmade. Although system is becoming efficient the number of people who need is getting bigger and bigger from big number of conflict and environmental problem. New challenge is the point is that fewer people die from hunger itself but disease aftermath of bad health condition. So, comprehension health service is so important.

2: About finance, according to UN $22billion is necessary but there is a BIG gap. It can be done by GOOD ACCOUNTABILITY. It is important to know basic necessary is $13billion. So, we must cope with people’s “compassion fatigue” and keep working to persuade people.

[Questions and Answers

1: “What do you think about sexual abuse problem?

A: BBC, Catholic and other big institutions traditionally have this kind of problem. What is important is “OPEN information system”.

2: Questioned by Japanese lady working in Washington. “What do you think about the effect of modern technology?

A: People who need help can have a voice about what is necessary by texting(phone) and those movement can be close the gap between giver and taker and become efficient.

3: Questioner was a person working for JAICA.

How to make good balance between effectiveness(効果的) and efficiency（効率）.

A: “OBSERVATION” is very important.

Well, this time the number of participant (MS HIYOSHI, MS NAGAI,MR.MORI and Kumada) was 4 .

I hope you can come next time!!

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