

LAN CARGO Flight Provides Critical Lifeline to Haiti

PADF, other organizations to use relief flight on Monday

Washington, D.C., January 22, 2010 – Twenty tons of urgently needed earthquake relief supplies collected by partners of the Pan American Development Foundation will arrive to Port-au-Prince on Monday as part of a humanitarian aid flight operated by LAN CARGO.

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“LAN CARGO’s donation of the flight opens another critical lifeline to the survivors in Haiti,” says John Sanbrailo, PADF’s Executive Director. “This flight allows PADF’s relief office in Port-au-Prince to receive and distribute vital supplies that have been donated by our partners and friends in the Miami area.”

PADF is using its space to send medicine, medical supplies, food, water and other vital materials to ease the suffering of Haitians who survived the devastating 7.0 earthquake and its aftershocks. The supplies were donated by Missionary Flights International of Fort Pierce, Fla.

LAN CARGO’s 767-300F flight will leave Miami International Airport early Monday morning. It is carrying cargo for PADF, the University of Miami’s Project Medishare and America’s Relief Team, amongst others.

“LAN CARGO is honored to have the opportunity to assist respected organizations like the PADF to transport aid to the earthquake victims in Haiti,” said Cristian Ureta, CEO of LAN CARGO.

PADF – which is collaborating with the Organization of American States (OAS), the non-profit Hollywood Unites for Haiti (HUFH) and other groups – has worked in the country for nearly 30 years on economic development, protecting human rights and responding to natural disasters.

Donations are encouraged by calling toll-free **(877) 572-4484**, visiting www.PanAmericanRelief.org. Text **H E A L** to 50555 to donate \$5.

About HUFH

Hollywood Unites For Haiti is a non-profit charitable aid organization based in Los Angeles that puts 100 percent of its donations directly into the cause of helping Haitian citizens and raising global awareness of ways in which people can help.

www.hufh.org and www.HaitianHero.com

About the OAS

The Organization of American States (OAS) is the world's oldest regional organization, dating back to the First International Conference of American States, which was held in Washington, D.C. from October 1889 to April 1890. Today, it is comprised of 34 countries from Latin America and the Caribbean. www.oas.org

About PADF

PADF is a non-profit organization established in 1962 to promote, facilitate, and implement social and economic development in Latin America and the Caribbean. In the past year, it had more than 5.6 million beneficiaries in 18 countries.

PADF is one of the largest non-governmental organizations in Haiti. With nearly three decades of work on the ground, PADF now manages a large portfolio of activities ranging from community-driven development to protecting human rights.

Its headquarters is in Washington, D.C., and has field offices in Haiti, Colombia, the Dominican Republic and elsewhere. www.padf.org

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