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Colleagues:

Thank you all for your continued participation in the ongoing Pakistan Flood Conference Calls. Attached to this e-mail are the latest flood-related documents.

For Thursday's conference call at **1000 EDT**, the call in number is (202) 647-0817 and the code is 080708. Please avoid using cell or speaker phones, as it degrades the quality of the call.

If you need any assistance during the call, you can call the State Department Operations Center at (202) 647-1512 or (202) 647-7640.

The agenda for Thursday's Pakistan Flood Relief Conference Call at **1000 (EDT)** will be sent around with today's afternoon e-mail update.

All of these documents are also available on the portal at:

http://www.intelink.gov/wiki/Portal:2010_Pakistan_Flooding

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U.S. Joining The Battle Against Malaria In Pakistan's Flood Zones

Islamabad, September 15, 2010 – The U.S. announced today that it is providing Rs 428 million (\$5 million) to fight malaria in flood-affected regions of Pakistan.

Early warning and detection mechanisms are crucial in meeting public health needs in the immediate recovery period following a natural disaster. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), in partnership with Pakistan's Ministry of Health, is providing the money to the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO) for use in its anti-malaria programs.

The funds will be used to preposition rapid testing kits and anti-malarial medications. It will also go towards educational programs designed to teach at-risk communities the early warning signs of a malaria outbreak.

The U. S. has provided more than Rs 22 billion (\$261 million) in emergency humanitarian assistance to the people of Pakistan. The U.S. also has provided other civilian and military in-kind assistance in the form of halal meals, pre-fabricated steel bridges and other infrastructure support, as well as air support to and within Pakistan to transport goods and rescue people, valued at approximately Rs 3.4 billion (\$40 million).

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U.S. Provides Rs 1.7 Billion For Flood Affected Farmers

Islamabad, September 15, 2010- The United States has committed Rs 1.7 billion (\$21 million) to provide seed and fertilizer to flood-affected farmers in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The money will help ensure there's a viable crop of *rabi* wheat this winter and prevent future food insecurity.

Rs 1.3 billion (\$16 million) of the funds for the program will be provided by the Kerry-Lugar-Berman Enhanced Partnership with Pakistan Act. An additional Rs 428 million (\$5 million) will come from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA).

The program will be implemented by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and will provide wheat seed, vegetable seed and fertilizer packages to help approximately 1.7 million people in 12 districts, particularly female-headed households, female farmers, and households with children under five years old.

"Providing the wheat seed will help ensure farmers can maintain the normal plant and harvest cycle," USAID Mission Director Bob Wilson said. "As the floods recede, similar programming will support additional farmers in other flood-affected areas of Pakistan."

To date, the U. S. has provided more than Rs 22.3 billion (\$261 million) in emergency humanitarian assistance to the people of Pakistan. The U.S. also has provided other civilian and military in-kind assistance in the form of *halal* meals, pre-fabricated steel bridges and other infrastructure support, as well as air support to and within Pakistan to transport goods and rescue people, valued at approximately Rs 3.4 billion (\$40 million).

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Ambassadors of Algeria and Tunisia donate for relief assistance

Today, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Nawabzada Malik Amad Khan received Ambassadors of Algeria H.E. Dr. Ahmed Benflis and Tunisia H.E. Mr. Mourad Bourehla, separately. Both the Ambassadors presented cheques of US\$ 1 million each as donation on behalf of the Government of Algeria and Tunisia towards Prime Minister's Relief Fund. Both the Ambassadors expressed solidarity with the Pakistani brethren at this difficult time.

The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs thanked both the Ambassadors for these donations from the respective governments towards Prime Minister's Relief Fund and to stand by with the people of Pakistan at this difficult time. The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs briefed these Ambassadors about the damages caused by the devastating floods. They also discussed Pakistan's bilateral relations with Algeria and Tunisia reiterating their mutual desire to further strengthen these relations in all walks of life.

Islamabad

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