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Translation

Reconstruction Support for Devastating Typhoon Disaster Area in the Republic of China

August 31, 2009 (Tokyo) - We sincerely regret that the typhoon victims have encountered such an unexpected disaster from the typhoon Morakot that ravaged the Republic of China from August 7 to 8, 2009.

Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. [Head Office: Chuo-ku Tokyo; President: Osamu Nagayama (hereafter, "Chugai")] and Chugai Pharma Taiwan Ltd. [Head Office: Taipei, Republic of China; President: Hiroshi Yoshida (hereafter, "Chugai Taiwan")], which is a consolidated subsidiary of Chugai, as well as the company employees decided to contribute the following donations for supporting reconstruction of disaster areas in the Republic of China.

We deeply hope that the affected areas can be quickly rebuilt.

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Contribution of donations

- Amount of contribution: 800,000 New Taiwan dollars (ca. 2.5 million Japanese yen) (Total amount of donations from the companies and the company employees of Chugai Taiwan)
- Date of contribution: August 27, 2009
- Address of contribution: the Republic of China government