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Translation

Donation of "Tamiflu[®]" Anti-influenza Drug for the Support of the Sufferers of the 2011 Off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku Earthquake

March 23, 2011 (Tokyo) - Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. ("Chugai") [Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo. President: Osamu Nagayama] announced today that It will donate the anti-influenza drug "Tamiflu[®] Capsule 75" (generic name: oseltamivir phosphate) imported for production and marketing in Japan from F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd. [Head Office: Basel, Switzerland. CEO: Severin Schwan], in order to support the sufferers of the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake which struck on March 11.

Signs of influenza infection have been reported among earthquake sufferers in the refuge centers, and in light of the urgent demand of the medical supply, Chugai has agreed that the affected areas and local governments may utilize Tamiflu[®] which are being stockpiled for the use against the new strain of influenza virus pandemic, for the prevention and treatment of influenza of the earthquake sufferers.

In addition, Chugai will donate approximately 60 thousand treatment courses of Tamiflu[®], mainly to the prefectures of affected areas.

Chugai wishes the earliest possible recovery of the affected area, and will continue to consider what additional support it may provide.