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## **TAGLaw and Lawyers from Around the World Support Ebola Relief**

# Donation of \$10,000 to Doctors Without Borders will help provide critical Ebola relief in West Africa.

St. Petersburg, Florida (November 10, 2014) – <u>TAG Foundation</u> trustees have approved the disbursement of \$10,000 USD from the foundation's funds to assist Doctors Without Borders / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) in their Ebola relief efforts in West Africa. TAG Foundation is the



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charitable organization founded by  $\underline{\text{TAGLaw}^{\&}}$ , an international alliance of independent law firms, and its broader organization, The TAG Alliances<sup>TM</sup>. The TAG Foundation is supported by contributions from TAGLaw members who have a long history of supporting relief efforts from natural disasters or humanitarian crises.

MSF's West Africa Ebola response started in March 2014 and counts activities in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. In response to a confirmed case in Mali, an MSF team arrived in the country last week to reinforce MSF's regular mission and provide technical support to the Ministry of Health.

"With more than 9,000 reported cases, 4,876 deaths, and a direct or indirect impact on jurisdictions where we have members, we want to take an active leadership role in helping to alleviate the devastating effects of this humanitarian crisis by supporting the heroic efforts of Doctors Without Borders," said Peter Appleton Jones, Chairman & Founder of TAGLaw and TAG Foundation trustee. "The impact of politics and the media has only been to sow fear, hysteria and more sadly, division. We want to change that with positive efforts and energy." Mr. Appleton Jones adds, "This and other TAG Foundation initiatives speak to the very heart of what TAGLaw and the TAG Alliances are about."

#### About Doctors Without Borders / Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

MSF currently employs 263 international and around 3,084 locally hired staff in the region. The organization operates six Ebola case management centers (CMCs), providing approximately 600 beds in isolation. Since the beginning of the outbreak, MSF has sent more than 700 international staff to the region and admitted more than 5,200 patients, among whom around 3,200 were confirmed as having Ebola. More than 1,200 patients have survived. More than 1,019 tons of supplies have been shipped to the affected countries since March.

For more information visit: http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/our-work/medical-issues/ebola

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#### **About TAG Foundation:**

TAG Foundation is the charitable foundation supported by the TAG Alliances. TAG Foundation was started formally in 2010 with a mission to help victims around the world who have been affected by a major disaster. The charitable tradition of the TAG Alliances began in 2001, when members banded together to assist the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. Since that time, major donations were given to relief efforts of the 2004 tsunami; the 2010 floods in Pakistan; the 2011 tsunami in Fukushima, Japan; Hurricane Sandy in Greater New York/New Jersey and the 2013 Typhoon Haiyan. For more information, including how to donate, please visit www.TAGAlliances.com/tagfoundation.

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