



Swiss Re donates CHF 300 000 to disaster relief in Myanmar and China

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Zurich, 20 May 2008 – Swiss Re has announced a donation of CHF 300 000 to support UNICEF and the Red Cross in providing instant humanitarian relief to regions in Myanmar and China which were hit by devastating natural catastrophes earlier this month.

In response to the disastrous events in Myanmar and China, funds totalling CHF 300 000 will go directly towards helping the people affected by the massive cyclone that swept across Myanmar in early May, and the people of Sichuan, China, who have been hit by the strongest earthquake the country has seen in more than 30 years. The donation will be split equally between the two countries and paid directly to the international organisations of UNICEF and the Red Cross.

“Swiss Re feels deeply for those affected and sends its sympathy and support to the victims and their families”, said Charlotte Gubler, Member of Swiss Re’s Executive Board.

UNICEF and the Swiss Red Cross are both actively working on the Myanmar relief effort, and Swiss Re’s donation will help to provide for people injured and displaced. Relief efforts include providing safe drinking water and food, addressing hygiene issues to prevent the spread of disease, arranging for urgent medical care services and more. In China, UNICEF China and the Chinese Red Cross will use the donation for rescue work, medical services and ongoing recovery work.

Notes to editors

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