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MEDIA RELEASE**PHARMANIAGA SENDS RM75,000.00 WORTH OF
MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO PALANG MERAH
INDONESIA**

Jakarta - Pharmaniaga today handed over RM75,000.00 worth of medical supplies to Palang Merah Indonesia (PMI) in aid of the recent tsunami disaster in Aceh. Pharmaniaga was represented by its Managing Director, Azhar Hussain; while Prof Dr. Sujudi, Chairman of Blood Transfusion Department & Hospital Development, PMI.

"These medical supplies have no use or value if not for the hands that deliver it to the patients. So we thank PMI for accepting our contributions and for your courageous efforts to bring back healthcare to those in Aceh" said Azhar.

The event was held in a local hotel witnessed by members of PT Millennium Pharmacon International Tbk (MPI), Pharmaniaga's most recent acquired subsidiary company in Indonesia.

MPI is a public-listed company on both the Jakarta Stock Exchange and Surabaya Stock Exchange. MPI is a leading distributor of pharmaceuticals and related products in Indonesia. This complements Pharmaniaga's core business of manufacturing, marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical and medical products. Profit contributions from MPI are expected to enhance the future earnings of Pharmaniaga.

Apart from today's contribution, Pharmaniaga has already contributed over RM100,000.00 worth of medical supplies through various humanitarian agencies such

as MERCY Malaysia, BAKTI Malaysia and the Malaysia National Tsunami Disaster Funds.

Pharmaniaga was also the first healthcare company to send humanitarian medical aid through the Royal Malaysian Air Force within 48 hours of the disaster. On the following week, Pharmaniaga sent another 3 tonnes of medical supplies on board the Royal Malaysian Navy vessel KD Mahawangsa, both donations were coordinated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia.

As Malaysia's largest integrated healthcare company servicing the Ministry of Health and other medical faculties, the capability of the Pharmaniaga to respond in an emergency is critical and evidently in this event the organisation has proven its abilities through its prompt response.

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ABOUT PHARMANIAGA BERHAD

Pharmaniaga Berhad is Malaysia's leading pharmaceuticals group and a member of the UEM Group. The company is driven by its core businesses in generic pharmaceuticals R&D and manufacturing, warehousing and distribution of pharmaceutical and medical products, sales & marketing, as well as hospital equipping provision of turnkey contract services. Pharmaniaga has also created a niche in healthcare IT solutions which forms the backbone of its operations.