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MEASLES INITIATIVE PARTNERS TO MAKE MAJOR FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2

WILL DISCUSS SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN MEASLES CASES AND DEATHS IN AFRICA

*Measles Initiative Founding Partners Include: UN Foundation,
American Red Cross, World Health Organization, UNICEF, Centers for
Disease and Prevention Control*

WHAT: Measles Initiative partners will make a major funding announcement; discuss significant reduction in measles cases and deaths in Africa.

WHO: Measles Initiative partners and supporters, including:
Ted Turner, UN Foundation Chairman
Ann M. Veneman, UNICEF Executive Director
Dr. Julie Gerberding, Centers for Disease and Prevention Control Director
Steven E. Carr, American Red Cross Board of Governors Chair of the
International Services Committee
Margaret F. C. Chan, World Health Organization Assistant Director-General
for Communicable Diseases
Edward J. Ludwig, Becton, Dickinson and Company Chairman, President
and Chief Executive Officer

WHEN: 10:00 AM EST, Wednesday, November 2, 2005

WHERE: Press Conference Room, TIME Global Health Summit.
Frederick P. Rose Hall, Home of Jazz at Lincoln Center, Broadway at 60th
Street, NYC.

DIAL IN: Working press may dial-in to a conference call broadcast of the press
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Measles is one of the leading vaccine-preventable childhood killers in the world. In 2003, more than 500,000 people died from measles, a disease barely remembered by most Americans. A safe and highly effective vaccine has been available for over forty years and it costs less than US \$1 to protect a child against measles. Despite this, millions of children remain unprotected.

Launched in February 2001, the Measles Initiative (MI) is a partnership formed to reduce and control measles deaths in Africa. The Initiative is led by the United Nations Foundation, American Red Cross, Centers for Disease and Prevention Control, UNICEF and the World Health Organization. Other key players in the fight against measles are the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Church of Jesus Christ and Latter Day Saints, the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI) and countries and governments affected by measles

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