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INTERESSANT I DETTE NYHEDSBREV

- Værdien af doneret medicin og hospitalsudstyr overstiger nu 118 mio kr / The value of donated medicine and equipment reaches more than DKK 118 million.
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KÆRE ALLE!

Andet halvår 2014 har været domineret af ni forsendelser af hospitalsudstyr, lidt øgede medicindonationer, samarbejde med fire nye lande, stigende og fortrinligt samarbejde med private firmaer, større kendskab i offentligheden, nødvendigt og ønskeligt ophør om "samarbejdet" med Region Hovedstaden og svagere økonomi, delvis som følge af stigende aktivitet.

Der er nu grundlag for konsolidering, hjemmesiden, nyhedsbrevene og kommunikationen vil blive søgt forbedret, medicindonationer øget og økonomien styrket. 825 m3 hospitalsudstyr, værdi over 15 mio kr til seks lande – samt medicin for 2.6 mio kr.

I alt doneret for 118.068.037 kr medicin og udstyr siden stiftelsen 2010.

Medicin –og udstyrsdonationer:

Bl.a. som følge af værdien af Global Medical Aids donationer (f.eks. anæstesi-, ultralyds-, og røntgenapparater), ca. 2 mio kr pr. container, har modtagerne beredvilligt accepteret individuelt tilpassede egenbetalinger af en del af fragttudgiften. Det er GMA's opfattelse, at egenbetaling tillige styrker samarbejdet med modtagerne og er motiverende for interessen for donationerne.

Afghanistan, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cambodja, Kosovo, Makedonien, Nepal, og Sri Lanka:

Intet doneret.

Albanien: Doneret medicin og udstyr, fragt finansieret af medicinalfirma.

Burundi: Én container med udstyr til privathospital – "Polyclinique Excellence de Muyinga" – der selv betalte landtransport med over 40.000 kr.

Kenya: Én container med udstyr, senge og inventar til ny-opført hospital i Kodula District, Homa Bay County, hvis guvernør har lovet at igangsætte hospitalet og betale alle driftsomkostninger.

Senegal: To containere med medicin og udstyr til Sundhedsministeriet, Commune de Ouakam/Dakar og lokal klinik.

Tanzania: Én container med udstyr til dansk opført hospital – "Magunga District Hospital."

Ukraine: Én lastbil med udstyr til "Vis Pacem/Malta Order" og to lastbiler med udstyr til "Wings of Phoenix" – modtagerne afhentede selv udstyret.

Økonomi:

Rejseomkostningerne har været beskedne, men omkostningerne til afhentning og opbevaring af udstyr i Danmark og til fragt har været voldsomt stigende og da indtægterne fra fonde, legater og private har været faldende, er økonomien pt. ikke god.

Der er dog – så vidt ses – ingen risiko for at aktiviteterne må nedsættes som følge af manglende indtægter.



Hospitalstue i Benin/ Hospital room in Benin

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Sidste Nyt:

Kenya, Senegal, Tanzania og Ukraine er nye lande i forhold til sidste nyhedsbrev. Se på vores hjemmeside www.globalmedicalaid.com

Af VÆSENTLIGE BEGIVENHEDER kan nævnes:

Deltagelse i **African Preparation Course**, arrangeret af Forsvarsakademiet, ca. 14 dage i Etiopien og Kenya, studier i Afrikas problemer generelt og især Somalia og Sydsudan; deltagere, ca 20, hovedsagelig højtstående officerer, herunder fra Flyvevåbnet (transport), kontakter til etiopiske og kenyanske udenrigsministerielle personer og til internationale hjælpeorganisationer.

Private firmaer og personer donerer i stigende grad nyttigt og værdifuldt hospitalsudstyr af enhver art – og i store mængder - til GMA. Udstyret, som regel nyt eller i umiddelbar brugbar stand, afleveres med følgesedler og brochurer og firmaerne bistår gerne efterfølgende med yderligere oplysninger og evt. reservedele. Disse donationer er af næsten uvurderlig betydning for modtagerlandene.

Falck, der i forvejen har stillet gratis lagerplads til rådighed, har doneret en ambulance, der nu vil blive kørt til Ukraine.

Rudersdal kommune har opsagt lokalerne på den nedlagte skole, da skolen nu skal nedrives – uden kommunens udlån af lokalerne i et årstid, ville det have været overordentligt vanskeligt at håndtere den store mængde udstyr.

Foretræde for **Folketingets Udenrigsudvalg**, hvor det blev påvist, at Danidas manglende støtte til forsendelser af medicin til offentlige myndigheder er til hinder for medicin-donationer, der kun kan gives til Sundhedsmyndigheder i modtagerlandene. Foretrædet blev positivt omtalt i pressen, hvor GMA's oplysninger blev bekræftet af personer med indgående kendskab til udviklingslandenes sundhedssystemer.

Lovende samarbejde med dansk afdeling af **Engineering World Health**, hvis medlemmer, hovedsageligt medico studerende, arbejder med at reparere og vedligeholde doneret udstyr på hospitaler i udviklingslande – da GMA ikke afsender udstyr, medmindre funktionen er kontrolleret, er det hensigten, at de studerende primært skal efterkontrollere udstyr, inden det doneres.

Indslag i **TV Avisen** om Region Hovedstadens ansvarsløse og uetiske aflevering af uanvendeligt udstyr til GMA, der har måttet bruge megen tid, mange kræfter og penge på at gennemgå udstyret, således at det kunne videredoneres på en forsvarlig måde.

Samarbejde om pakning af containere sammen med Beredskabsforbundet/
Joint cooperation with Beredskabsforbundet in packing containers



Tak til alle, der har ydet en indsats for Global Medical Aid – GMAs virksomhed er ved at nå et sådant omfang at det er nødvendigt, at flere medlemmer yder en indsats for at undgå aktivitetsnedgang.

Med venlig hilsen

Hans Frederik Dydensborg



Hans Frederik i Kenya i møde med landsbyboere i en bygning som skal bruges til hospital/
Hans Frederik in Kenya meeting villagers in building being used as hospital in the future

The value of donated medicine and equipment reaches more than DKK 118 million.

825 m3 hospital equipment, valued at more than DKK 15 million to six countries—as well as medicine for DKK2,6 million since the start in 2010.

DEAR ALL

The second half of 2014 has been dominated by nine shipments of hospital equipment, slight increase in medicine donations, and cooperation with four new countries. In addition an increasing and formidable cooperation with private companies, a larger knowledge in the public eye, a needed end to the “cooperation” with Region Hovedstaden, and a weaker economy, in part because of an increase in activities have also been key in the second half of 2014.

There are now grounds for consolidating; the website, the newsletters and the communication will be worked on bettering, an increase in medicine donations, and strengthening of the finances.

Medicine and Equipment Donations:

Partly because of the value of Global Medical Aid's donations (fx. Anesthesia, ultra sound, and x-ray equipment), of DKK 2 million per container, the recipients have willingly accepted individually assessed self-payment as part of the freight expenses. It is the perception of GMA that the self-payment strengthens the cooperation with the re-

cipients, and is motivating for the interest for the donations.

Finances:

Travel expenses have been moderate, but the expenses for pick-up and storing of equipment in Denmark and freight have increased rapidly. This happened while income from foundations, scholarships, and private donations has been decreasing therefore the finances are currently not good.

There is, however, no immediate risk that activities have to be lowered because of the falling incomes.



Ambulance doneret og klar til at blive kørt til Ukraine/Ambulance donated ready to drive to Ukraine

Afghanistan, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Sri Lanka:

Nothing donated.

Albania: Donated medicine and equipment. Freight financed by medical company.

Burundi: One container with equipment for a private hospital – “Polyclinique Excellence de Muyinga” - who paid the land transport with more than DKK40,000.

Kenya: One container with equipment, beds and furniture for a newly built hospital in Kodula District, Homa Bay County, whose governor promised to pay for running the hospital.

Senegal: Two containers with medicine and equipment for the Ministry of Health, Commune de Ouakam/Dakar, and a local clinic.

Tanzania: One container with equipment for a Danish built hospital - “Magunga District Hospital.”

Ukraine: One truck with equipment for “Vis Pacem/Malta Order” and two trucks with equipment for “Wings of Phoenix” – the recipients picked up the equipment themselves.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OF THE PAST SIX MONTHS:

Participation in **African Preparation Course**, arranged by the Defense Academy, approximately 14 days in Ethiopia and Kenya, studies of Africa's problems generally, and in particular Somalia and South Sudan; participants, approximately 20, mainly high-ranking officers, including from the Danish Air Force (Transportation), contacts to Ethiopian and Kenyan foreign affairs people, and to international relief organizations.

Private companies and people donate increasingly useful and valuable hospital equipment of all sorts, and in great quantities, to GMA. The equipment, usually new or in very useable condition, is delivered with shipping notices and brochures, and the companies are very helpful with further information and possible spare parts. These donations are of nearly invaluable significance for the recipient countries.

Falck, who already have supplied free storage for GMA, have donated an ambulance, which will be driven to Ukraine.

Rudersdal county has terminated the rooms on the disused school because the school is now scheduled for demolition. Without the county providing the rooms for about a year, it would have been mighty difficult to handle the large amount of equipment.

Addressing the **Parliament's Foreign Affairs committee** where it was shown that the lack of support from Danida for shipping of medicine for public authorities is a hindrance for medicine donations that are only possible to deliver to the health authorities in the receiving country. Addressing the Parliament's Foreign Affairs committee was positively mentioned in the press where GMA's information was verified by people with knowledge of the health care systems of the developing countries.

Promising cooperation with the Danish division of **Engineering World Health**, whose members are mainly medico students, work with repairing and maintaining donated equipment at hospitals in the developing countries. Since GMA does not send equipment, unless the functions are checked, it is the intention that the students primarily will check the equipment before it is donated.

Segment in **TV Avisen** (the news on DR1) about Region Hovedstadens irresponsible and unethical delivery of non-useable equipment to GMA, who have had to spend a lot of time, and lots of resources and money on checking the equipment so that it could be sent onwards in a proper manner.

Senge og madrasser klar til at blive doneret/ Beds and mattresses ready to be donated



Thanks to all who have helped Global Medical Aid. GMA's enterprise is reaching a level where it is necessary that more members step forward and provide help in order to avoid a decrease in activities.

Hans Frederik Dydensborg
President of Global Medical Aid

Latest news:

Kenya, Senegal, Tanzania and Ukraine are new countries since the latest newsletter. See our homepage at www.globalmedicalaid.com