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RE: IQRAA TRUST DONATION ENABLES FURTHER RESPONSE TO THE ONGOING REFUGEE CRISIS

Respected Dr. Mahmoud Youssef Baker,

As salamu alaykum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu

We trust this reaches you in good health and strong Iman, InshaAllah.

We are writing this letter in acknowledgement and appreciation of the funds totalling R 500,500.00 which were contributed by Iqraa Trust for use in response to the refugee crisis in Europe. We confirm that said funds will be used as part of the Al-Imdaad Foundations response to the ongoing refugee crisis. We are grateful for this contribution and pray that it will be a source of great relief and comfort for the refugee beneficiaries.

The Al-Imdaad Foundation has been responding to the ongoing Mediterranean refugee crisis that has been unfolding across Europe, powered by ongoing conflict and instability in the Middle East and North Africa. Record numbers of refugees have been entering into European territory in a bid to escape the destruction, violence and instability that rocks their home countries. The majority of these refugees are Syrian in origin but there also Iraqis, Afghanis, Eritreans, Libyans and other nationalities.

Many have undertaken life risking journeys in an attempt to cross the Mediterranean into Europe and equally dangerous overland routes through Eastern Europe are also taken. This year alone over 300,000 refugees have entered just Italy and Greece alone, the first frontier EU states. Up to 2,500 have died in the crossing thus far this year, most in tragic drownings, as the overburdened vessels on which they make the journey often sink. Each week tragic stories of overturned boats in the waters of the Mediterranean are highlighted in the media. But the risk is still seen as worthwhile due to the continued death and destruction in their countries of origin.

The generous contributions from Iqraa Trust will help our teams conduct further operations to address the needs of refugees in transit across Europe. Our teams have already been on the ground in Austria and Hungary in early September as refugees passed through these countries on their way to Germany and other northern European states. Since then Hungarian authorities have fenced off borders leaving many refugees stranded and living in the open and forcing them to look for alternative routes through Serbia, Slovenia and other countries.

The donation from Iqraa Trust will be used in a second distribution programme targeting refugees in transit through some of these countries. Specifically, food packs, clothing, and hygiene items will be handed out to refugees at transit

points on the journey through Europe. These items will provide relief to refugees who often travel long distances on foot and sleep out in the open with limited access to daily essentials.

We would once again like to offer our appreciation for the continued support of the Iqraa Trust. This support clearly demonstrates the commitment of Iqraa Trust to the humanitarian cause and helps us to continue and expand our mission of service to humanity.

Jazakumullahu Khayran.

Sincerely,



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