







Dear Sir,

I am pleased to inform that the ambulances donated from Japan have been delivered and there are already in service in the much needed environment of Aleppo Governorate in Syria.

The containers with the vehicles arrived from Japan at Mersin port, Turkey, on the 06th Nov. On Friday 12th Nov, the containers arrived to Gaziantep to be cleared. The same day, the Turkish Ministry of Health inspected them and cleared them for transit to Syria. The ambulances were driven in a convoy organised by the Turkish Red Crescent and arrived to Öncüpınar-Bab Al Salamah border crossing.

Immediately, Médecins sans Frontières staff proceeded to properly identify the vehicles in Arabic and distributing material according to the requirements, 2 ASL and 4 BSL configurations. After the customs procedures were cleared, ambulances crossed into Syria at night. They were delivered next day to the following hospitals and medical teams:

1. Al Bayyan Hospital, Aleppo City (SE)
2. Hanano Paediatric Hospital, Aleppo City (NE)
3. Hrytan Field Hospital, Hrytan, Rural Aleppo (NW)
4. Bustan Al Qasr Advance Medical Point, Aleppo City (SE)
5. Aleppo Province ambulance service, Aleppo City (N)
6. Salahdinne Advance Medical Point, Aleppo City (SW)

Find attached the donation certificates, as well as some photographs. I am sure that those ambulances will be of a great service to the population trapped by the war in Aleppo city and the surrounding areas.

Please, do not hesitate asking for more information if required,

Sincerely Yours,

Kilis, 21st November 2012

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