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SWISSÔTEL NANKAI OSAKA OFFERS SUPPORT TOWARDS THE EARTHQUAKE RELIEF THROUGH FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES

OSAKA, April 2011 – Donations have been pouring in at Swissôtel Nankai Osaka, since 14 March 2011 when the hotel initiated fund-raising activities in aid of “The 2011 Tohoku Earthquake Relief Fund”. The amount of donations has since exceeded 1.4 million yen and will continue to be collected until 30 April 2011. Swissôtel Nankai Osaka would like to extend its heartfelt appreciation to guests and staff members for their contributions towards the relief fund.

The various fund-raising outlets that are available in aid of those affected by the massive earthquake includes a charity donation box at the hotel’s lobby, donations of 100 yen per buffet order between 15 March to 31 March 2011 at all-day dining Café Swiss as well as the internal donation campaign by hotel staff. In addition, a Charity Concert will be organised at the hotel lobby on 16 April 2011, with appearances by Church Minister, Reijo Biommandahl, and the Christian Bridal Mission Choir. At the concert, prayer songs will be performed by the Choir and Minister Reijo will read a prayer for those affected by the earthquake.

All donations that are collected at the end of April 2011 will be donated to the Japanese Red Cross Society (JRCS). These donations received by JRCS will in turn be handed to the local governments of the disaster-affected prefectures and the funds will then be distributed directly among the affected population.

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About Swissôtel Nankai Osaka (www.swissotel.com/osaka)

Conveniently located in the heart of Osaka just above Namba railway station, Swissôtel Nankai Osaka is directly connected to Kansai International Airport by train and only steps away from the city's business, cultural and entertainment districts.

Swissôtel Nankai Osaka offers 548 exquisitely furnished guestrooms including 28 suites. Spa & Fitness tempts with a full selection of massage and spa treatments while a fully equipped gym and in-door lap pool provide ample workout choices. To meet a full spectrum of conference and banquet needs, Swissôtel Nankai Osaka has a multitude of function rooms that can cater for a capacity of 10 to 1400 people.

For gastronomic pleasures, guests can choose from eight restaurants and bars - *Tavola36 Italian Restaurant and Sky Bar*, *Empress Room Chinese Restaurant*, *Minami Teppanyaki Restaurant*, *Hana-Goyomi Japanese Restaurant*, *Sh'un Wine and Dine*, *Café Swiss* for all day dining, *The Lounge* for afternoon tea and evening cocktails and *Mela Café* for light meals and freshly baked pastries, breads and cakes.

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