

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Scotiabank sets up Haiti Earthquake Relief Account**

Early reports indicate there is widespread devastation and an atmosphere of calamity in Haiti as a 7.0 earthquake struck about 14 miles west of the capital of Port-au-Prince.

On 13 January 2010, Scotiabank's Canadian operations donated CAD \$250,000 to the Canadian Red Cross' Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund. "Our thoughts are with the people of Haiti and hope this donation will help alleviate some of the misfortune suffered during this difficult period," said Pat Minicucci, Senior Vice-President, International Banking, Caribbean, Scotiabank. "We are pleased to support the Red Cross in their efforts to provide this much needed assistance."

Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Limited has also embarked on a special humanitarian drive to assist and help bring relief to the Haitian people. The management and staff of Scotiabank have rallied together to give personal financial donations to provide support at this crucial time.

All Scotiabank branches will accept donations which will be given to and managed by the Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross Society.

**The public is encouraged to make donations to the Haitian Earthquake Relief Fund, account number: 4002466.**

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