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19.05.2008 | AirBridgeCargo Airlines Delivers 160 Tons of Relief Aid to Victims of Natural Disasters in Myanmar and China

AirBridgeCargo Airlines (ABC) is helping to deliver more than 160 tons of relief goods this week to the victims of the cyclone in Myanmar and the earthquake that has devastated southwest China.



On May 19th, an ABC Boeing 747-200F left Frankfurt for Bangkok with 100 tons of humanitarian aid, carrying medical equipment, blankets and tents. The flight was organised by Kuehne + Nagel on behalf of the charity, World Vision. From Thailand, the aid was delivered to the worst affected areas in Myanmar by World Vision representatives.

Today (May 22), a second AirBridgeCargo B747F, chartered by Chapman Freeborn for the German Red Cross, is departing from Schoenefeld Airport in Berlin to Chengdu. On arrival in the capital of

Sichuan province in southwest China, the Red Cross Society of China will distribute the medical emergency hospitals, mobile surgical stations, generators, blankets and tents to victims of the May 12th earthquake.

According to the Chinese government, since the earthquake a total of 280,000 tents, 480,000 quilts and 1.7 million jackets have been distributed to people in the earthquake zone.

Denis Ilyin, Senior Vice President Commerce and Strategic Development at ABC, commented: "This was a tremendous team effort between our own staff, our partners, World Vision and the Red Cross to ensure both of these flights were organised and operated in such a short timescale to provide quickest delivery of the desperately waited aid to the effected regions."