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Instruments of Mercy Offers Instrument Repair for Surgeons Aiding Victims in Haiti

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – January 19, 2010 – Instruments of Mercy, Inc.®, a nonprofit organization that repairs surgical instruments for medical mission teams around the world, is offering instrument repair at no cost to surgeons and surgical team members assisting earthquake victims in Haiti. “We’ve heard reports of surgeons having to use rusty instruments and hacksaws to amputate limbs,” said Gene Robinson, founder of Instruments of Mercy and CEO of IMS, a surgical instrument management and consulting company. “This is an important area where we think we can help.”

To assist surgical teams, Instruments of Mercy will secure repair, at no charge, for flexible endoscopes, rigid endoscopes, power equipment, stainless instruments, and laparoscopic and specialty instruments.

“In the weeks and months to come, the condition of surgical instruments will continue to be an issue for medical teams in Haiti,” said Toney Peer, Director of Instruments of Mercy. “We want these volunteers to know we’re here to help.”

For More Information: If you are a surgeon or surgical team member planning to volunteer in Haiti, contact Toney Peer, toneypeer@instrumentsofmercy.org or 205.913.6032.

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About Instruments of Mercy: Instruments of Mercy, Inc. is a non-profit organization committed to ensuring the instruments used for medical service trips are in proper working condition. Instruments of Mercy provides ongoing surgical instrument repair for Mercy Ships, an international non-profit organization that performs 7,000 surgeries per year onboard the world’s largest non-governmental hospital ship.