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### **RUSS CARNAHAN MEETS WITH DIRECTOR OF ST. LOUIS-BASED HAITIAN RELIEF ORGANIZATION**

***‘Meds and Food for Kids’ is Well-Positioned  
to Help in Haiti Relief for Years to Come***

(WASHINGTON, DC) – Congressman Russ Carnahan (MO-3), Chairman of the International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight Subcommittee, today made the case that to rebuild Haiti after Tuesday’s devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake international cooperation and support will be necessary.

Today Congressman Carnahan met with Dr. Patricia Wolf, Director of the Meds and Food for Kids (MFK), an internationally renowned non-profit program based in St. Louis. MFK has recently been designated by USAID as an official distributor of food to the malnourished people of Haiti. Dr. Wolf is scheduled to arrive in Haiti Sunday to assess the dire situation.

**“As we grasp for additional details as to the aftermath of this catastrophic disaster, one thing is certain and that is the fact that millions of people will be in serious need of help for years to come,”** said Congressman Carnahan. **“As people are looking for ways to help it is important to consider organizations like Meds and Food for Kids who have firmly established themselves as part of the Haitian community.”**

**“Rebuilding efforts will take years. When this story slips from the front pages of newspapers, it is critical that the international community, including the United States, is still there to provide support.”**

The International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight Subcommittee, led by Carnahan, has jurisdiction to examine current and future international organizational involvement in relief efforts such as those underway in Haiti.

For more information on MFK please visit: <http://mfkhaiti.org/>

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