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Dear Reverend Monsignor,
Dear Reverend Father,

I am presenting two options for people in parishes who may wish to contribute to relief for Haiti. They are:

1. A Joint Campaign for Funds for Haiti by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Further information is available on the website of Development and Peace at: <http://www.devp.org/devpme/eng/pressroom/2010/comm2010-01-13-eng.html>
2. For over twenty years the St. Joseph Health Care System in Hamilton Diocese, under the Sisters of St. Joseph of Hamilton have been directly involved through an outreach program in improving medical care in two hospitals in Haiti. They are prepared to provide a team immediately to assist the people of Haiti in this time of great need. The Outreach Program assures us that 100% of funds donated will be used for medical assistance.

If you are making an appeal for Haiti in your parish please present both options and ask the people to indicate their choice.

Funds should be received and receipted through the parish and forwarded to the Chancery with the indication of the total amount for each option.

It may seem superfluous to mention it, but please pray publicly for the victims and survivors in Haiti.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

BISHOP OF HAMILTON