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Mako Group to support charities through 'Dealing for Donation Day' 2007

On Friday, 30 November, Mako Group will host its fifth annual Dealing for Donation Day where City firms and financial institutions will donate a portion of their commissions or profits from the day to enable the work of five selected charity partners.

Since the inaugural event in October 2003 Mako Group has raised an impressive £920,000 for charity. David Segel, CEO of the Mako Group, explains: "Our team put a lot of energy into making Dealing for Donation Day successful, and it's a great opportunity to build on relationships with participating clients and counterparties. Thanks to the generosity of our traders, we have increased funds raised for charity year on year, and hope to continue to build on this success."

Last year Mako Group facilitated over 20 city firms and financial institutions giving a percentage of their daily trading revenues to charity or making a one-off gift of support. "As an industry focused on bottom line profits, it's great uniting other members of the finance community in giving something back that helps children and communities around the world," said Ben Fitzsimmons, chair of Mako Group's charity committee.

Getting involved in Dealing for Donation Day is easy - just pledge a proportion of your profits or commissions from the day, or simply make a one-time donation on Friday, 30th November. Mako Group will co-ordinate pledges received and a running total will be tracked at www.ddfd.org.uk.

"I'm delighted to be supporting Mako Group's 'Dealing for Donation Day'. It's a fantastic way of raising vital funds for some really great charities. I hope as many people as possible will get involved in what I'm sure will be a really fun and rewarding day." Gabby Logan, NCH celebrity supporter.

The benefiting charities for 2007 are Children in Crisis, Farm Africa, HOPEHIV, NCH, the children's charity and Mants'ase Children's Home UK.

For further information, or to make a donation, please visit www.ddfd.org.uk or contact Ben Fitzsimmons at Mako Global on 0207 862 0355 or email ben.fitzsimmons@makoglobal.com.

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Notes to Editors

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grown to become one of the most active users of exchange traded options, with a strong presence in the equity and fixed income markets of Europe. In addition Mako is rapidly developing its coverage in the US and Asian markets.

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The following charities will benefit from the funds raised on Dealing for Donation Day

Children in Crisis –Charity Number 1020488

Children in Crisis' vision is of a world where all children have access to education to enable them to fulfill their potential to live positive, healthy lives and contribute to the development of the societies in which they live. Contact: Clare Greenhalgh on 0207 627 1040 or clareg@childrenincrisis.org.uk

Farm Africa:

FARM-Africa (charity number 326901)

FARM-Africa transforms the lives of poor rural families in Africa. The charity's work helps families to increase their food production and income which they spend on essentials like healthcare and education for their children. Contact: Ngaio Bowthorpe on 020 7067 1252 or ngaiob@farmafrika.org.uk

HOPEHIV:

HOPEHIV (charity number 1079385, www.hopehiv.org) is an international charity operating in 12 African countries working with children who have been orphaned by HIV/AIDS. Contact: Sarah Jane Henshall on 0208 288 4294 or sarahjane@hopehiv.org

NCH, the children's charity:

NCH, the children's charity (charity number 1097940, www.nch.org.uk) works in partnership to run nearly 500 services for more than 178,000 of the UK's most vulnerable children, young people and their families. Contact: Clare Elliott on 0207 704 7872 or clare.elliott@nch.org.uk

Mants'ase Children's Home UK:

Mants'ase Children's Home UK (charity number 1119525) helps meet the costs of caring for orphans and vulnerable children at Mants'ase Children's Home, Lesotho. Contact: Lucy Caslon on mantsasechildrenshomeuk@gmail.com