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**CURE INTERNATIONAL STAFF MOURNS THE
DEATHS OF AID WORKERS IN AFGHANISTAN**
**U.S.-based medical, non-profit committed to improving
health care delivery and education in Afghanistan**

Lemoyne, Pa. August 9, 2010: The staff at CURE International's hospital in Kabul, Afghanistan is mourning the senseless murder of medical aid workers there on Thursday. CURE Founder and President, Scott Harrison, M.D., called the murders "a tragedy beyond imagination" and expressed condolences to the victim's families. Dr. Harrison said, "These heroic individuals were part of the solution for Afghanistan. They worked tirelessly to improve the medical care available to Afghans and sought to raise the standard of medical education in the country. Their work has made a tremendous impact in the lives of so many Afghans."

"When CURE first began working in Afghanistan in 2002, Tom Little and Dan Terry provided valuable assistance and guidance to us. Throughout the years, we have worked together and shared a vision of bringing medical care to a country of people in desperate need," continued Dr. Harrison. "Our hearts go out to all of the victims' families and friends. We will continue to pray for their strength and comfort during these difficult days."

CURE remains committed to its work in Afghanistan. Like IAM, CURE is motivated and inspired by its Christian faith to serve in Afghanistan and operates all programs with a spirit of mutual respect and in accordance with Afghan law. Both organizations are dedicated to providing specialty medical care that improves and, in many cases, saves the lives of thousands of Afghans every year. This is in coordination with the international community's efforts to rebuild the country and to bring hope to the Afghan people who have suffered greatly over the last 30 years.

About CURE International Hospital of Kabul

CURE International began its work in Afghanistan in 2002 in Kandahar. At the invitation of the Afghanistan Ministry of Health, CURE opened a hospital and clinic in Kabul in 2005. CURE has cared for more than 550,000 Afghan patients, providing basic medical care, specialty maternal and child health care, and plastic reconstructive, orthopedic and general surgery. In addition to treating Afghan patients, CURE places an emphasis on training programs for doctors and nurses. To date, more than 200 doctors, nurses and midwives have received training at CURE's Kabul hospital. CURE has 300 employees in Afghanistan, the majority of who are Afghans. CURE is a registered, non-profit, non-governmental organization in Afghanistan. To learn more about CURE's work in Afghanistan, visit cure.org/afghanistan.

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