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INDONESIA: SECOND BALI BOMBINGS

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In Brief

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The Situation

At approximately 7:00 pm local time (11:00 GMT), a series of three near-simultaneous explosions occurred in a popular tourist area of Bali, Indonesia. The first and second blasts occurred in a food court at Jimbaran Beach and the third in the shopping district of Kuta Town Square. At the time this bulletin was published, there were 25 people confirmed dead and more than 100 injured.

This incident occurred three years after the 12 October 2002 bombing at Kuta Beach on Bali, when 202 people lost their lives, many of them tourists. In both circumstances, victims were killed and injured while they were frequenting restaurants and entertainment spots on a Saturday night.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Immediately upon news of the two incidents, the PMI (Palang Merah Indonesia; the Indonesian Red Cross) chapter office in Bali, together with PMI Denpasar and Badung district branches, mobilized their fully-equipped SATGANA teams (field action teams) together with five ambulances and a radio-equipped communications vehicle.

The SATGANA teams comprised 40 trained team members, two PMI doctors and 28 PMI volunteer paramedics. In the hours after the bombings, the SATGANA teams provided first aid service on location, transferred casualties to four nearby hospitals, assisted local medical personnel at the site and helped with crowd control.

An additional eight PMI volunteers trained by ICRC in Red Cross and Red Crescent RFI (Restoring Family Links) services set up facilities in the hospitals to provide tracing and contact services.

In anticipation of a likely demand, blood plasma from the local Red Cross blood bank was readied for use and some 50 body bags from PMI pre-positioned stocks were delivered to the two locations. The PMI ambulances, the body bags and related disaster preparedness stocks are part of a PMI disaster management programme developed and maintained with the support of the Australian Red Cross.

Coordination

Constant communication is ongoing between the PMI national office in Jakarta, PMI Bali chapter and branches, the SATGANA teams, and PMI volunteers and staff at the Bali hospitals.

The Chairman of PMI and the Federation head of country delegation travelled together to the two bombing sites on the Sunday morning, as did PMI's head of disaster management division with the Federation disaster management delegate, for the purpose of further strengthening coordinated actions locally with PMI, and with relevant governmental authorities and other stakeholders.

ICRC (International Committee of the Red Cross) stands ready to support PMI endeavours in whatever way may be deemed appropriate.

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