



PRESS RELEASE

S\$160,000 Raised to Support Relief Efforts in Japan

Singapore, 18 April 2011 – More than 280 golfers filled both The Serapong Course and The Tanjong Course at the Sentosa Golf Club (SGC) on Sunday, 17 April 2011, for the Great East Japan Earthquake/Tsunami Relief Fund Raising Charity Golf 2011. At the dinner and award ceremony in the evening, Japanese University Graduates Association of Singapore (JUGAS) President Richard Chua and SGC General Manager Peter Downie presented Japanese Association Singapore President Kenji Yasuno with a S\$160,000 cheque, to contribute to the relief aid and reconstruction efforts for the communities affected by the earthquake and tsunami in northeastern Japan. Mr. Hiroshi Ikuno, President of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Singapore was also present at the dinner ceremony.

At the initiative of Sentosa Development Corporation, which offered complimentary use of both of its championship golf courses at SGC, JUGAS organised the charity event that was held in association with the Japanese Association of Singapore (JAS), and the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry (JCCI) in Singapore.

Participants of the event observed a minute of silence before the cheque presentation ceremony to commemorate victims of the disaster. The dinner was also attended by Mr Iwami Seiji, a well-known *manga* artist who has been appointed by the Japanese Agency for Cultural Affairs as a culture envoy. Mr Iwami performed quick-draw portraits for the guests, who contributed further to the donations on the spot.

All donations from the event were made to Singapore Red Cross Society. The organisers would like to thank all donors and participants for their support of the event.

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ABOUT JAPANESE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

JUGAS is the Japanese University Graduates Association of Singapore, an alumni body for non-Japanese citizens in Singapore who have received their tertiary education in Japan. JUGAS was formed in 1970, with the intention to promote good relations between Singapore and Japan, and to provide an interaction platform between members and the local Japanese communities.

ABOUT SENTOSA ISLAND

Sentosa is Singapore's premier island resort getaway and Asia's leading leisure destination. The island resort hosts over 6 million visitors yearly. Just minutes from the city, this 500-hectare resort island is home to a plethora of themed attractions, award-winning spa retreats, lush rainforests, white sandy beaches, resort accommodations, championship golf courses, a deep-water yachting marina and luxury residences - making it a compelling destination for business and leisure. In 2014, some 2,000 homes at Sentosa Cove will dot the coast. Sentosa is poised to be an exciting destination to work, live and play.

ABOUT SENTOSA GOLF CLUB

One of the most established golf clubs in Singapore, Sentosa Golf has more than 1,500 members, many of whom are prominent personalities from influential circles. Home of Asia's richest national Open, the Barclays Singapore Open, international star players and world-class golf professionals from Asia, Europe and the USA have descended on its championship greens to putt for the generous prize purse. Offering more than just a good game of golf, the Club also has excellent meeting and banquet facilities for corporate networking as well as high-end dining options such as the quintessential Japanese cuisine at the Nogawa Restaurant and Italian fare at the highly-acclaimed il Lido restaurant.

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- (1) Mr. Peter Downie, GM, Sentosa Golf Club (right) and Mr. Richard Chua, President of JUGAS (left) presenting the cheque of \$160,000 to the Singapore Red Cross received by Mr. Kenji Yasuno, President of the Japanese Association, Singapore (centre).