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To: Development Partners and International NGOs

Dear colleagues,

The Vietnam Union of Friendship Organizations (VUFO) would like to send our warmest greetings to you all.

As you may know, heavy downpours have been ravaging Vietnam's northern region over the past months, causing scores of deaths and leaving many missing. Flash floods triggered by heavy rains in the past few days have caused damages in the four provinces of Yen Bai, Son La, Lai Chau and Dien Bien. According to the Central Steering Committee for Natural Disaster Prevention and Control, 26 people lost their lives, 14 people were missing and 27 people were injured; the floods have destroyed over 200 houses, hundreds of hectares of crops, and damaged many roads and public buildings.

In the wake of the situation, VUFO has joined the efforts of other stakeholders to call for emergency relief from development partners and international NGOs to affected communities. For your consideration, water, hygiene and sanitation, education kits, shelters, supplemental foods and livelihood improvement are among the greatest needs.

For coordination purpose, please kindly inform us of any interventions your organization has or plans to do and any assistance needed from VUFO for such interventions (contact: Ms. Nguyen Thi Quynh Trang, email: trangnguyen@vufo.org.vn, cell: 0966 311 119).

Your prompt action would be highly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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