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Warm Woolies
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Dear Warm Woolies,

I hope this letter finds you well and happy during this busy holiday season. F.I.R.E. has recently completed its 2006 distribution trip to Mongolia. Thanks to a lot of generous, last minute donations of both time and money, we were able to make this year's trip a great success.

We are eager to start the planning for our 2007 distribution trip. We have a goal of shipping 3 containers next year instead of 2. As the end of the year approaches, please consider supporting our efforts to make the 2007 distribution trip bigger and better than ever.

Let me tell you why this is so important. This year we reached over 10,000 people with over 10 tons of warm winter clothing, just in time for the brutal cold. Temperatures in Mongolia are currently at an average high of 7 degrees Fahrenheit. We spent most of our time with local social workers going house to house. We met a family living in a burned out house, who had lost everything, trying to eke out an existence. Many clothing recipients felt fortunate if they were able to dig through the trash as a means of supporting their family.

Of the clothing, 12,000 pieces were the wonderful hand knit items we received from people like you, generated by the Dulaan Project. Thanks to Ryan Morrissey, this project has become a roaring success. We will continue to graciously accept and deliver these treasured items.

We distributed 450 boxes of needed medical supplies and training to 4 hospitals and 10 clinics. Even the most basic supplies brought tears to the eyes of a hospital director. When there are no gloves to work with, a box of 300 makes a big difference. When they are sewing up wounds with camel hair thread and a regular sewing needle, suture is cause for celebration.

We assisted over a dozen schools and local organizations with 6,000 English books. The Mongolians' thirst for learning English as a means of improving their condition is inspiring.

Please, if you can help us get a good start toward next year's distribution, we promise to work harder than ever to help thousands of people in the coming year. These wonderful people need our help---and yours.

Wishing you and your family a warm and happy winter.

All the best,

Meredith Potts
Executive Director