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## **TFS-ICAP donates \$250,000 to Merlin for Tsunami Victims**

**NEW YORK, February 9, 2005** – TFS-ICAP announced today it is donating \$250,000 to Merlin, an international humanitarian organization. The donation will provide emergency healthcare for the Asian Tsunami victims in the disaster-affected areas.

### **About TFS-ICAP**

TFS-ICAP was formed in July 2000 by the merger of the OTC FX Options divisions of Tradition Financial Services (TFS) and ICAP. In November of 2001, TFS-ICAP integrated into its currency options business the Volbroker system, an inter-dealer broking consortium developed by Citibank, Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan, Royal Bank of Scotland and UBS, which combines voice brokered liquidity with an FX Options electronic broking platform. For more information, please visit [www.tfsicap.com](http://www.tfsicap.com).

### **About TFS**

TFS is a market leader in the inter-dealing brokering of financial and non-financial OTC physical and derivative products. Its global offices cover foreign exchange, commodity, equity and pulp and paper markets. TFS's energy division brokers such products as oil, natural gas, electricity, weather derivatives, coal and emission allowances. TFS is listed on the French Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit [www.tfsbrokers.com](http://www.tfsbrokers.com).

### **About ICAP**

ICAP is the world's largest inter-dealer broker with an average daily transaction volume in excess of \$700 billion, more than 50% of which is electronic. ICAP is active in the wholesale markets for OTC derivatives, fixed income securities, money market products, and foreign exchange, energy, credit and equity derivatives. For more information, please visit [www.icap.com](http://www.icap.com).

### **About Merlin**

Merlin is a UK-based international humanitarian organization dedicated to providing emergency healthcare to people affected by wars, natural disasters or epidemics. Merlin specializes in responding rapidly to emergency situations and then establishing programs of rehabilitation and aid to help communities and local health services in their long-term recovery. The organization has provided emergency healthcare to millions of people in more than 30 countries during the 11 years it has been operational. For more information, visit [www.merlin.org.uk](http://www.merlin.org.uk).

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