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Object: thank you from Sierra leone

Dear Mr Claudio,
how are you?

My name is Merja and I am the Medical Coordinator of Emergency Surgical Centre in Freetown, in Sierra Leone.

I would like to thank you for your generous donation of the medical supplies for a while ago. It has been a great help for the hospital and especially for the patients, who are getting all the treatments here free.

In this country about 35% of the medicines , which are sold locally are fake! Therefore it is allways a risk to use the local suppliers, who are importing the medicines to Sierra Leone. A lot of medicines are coming from Nigeria and the origin of the producers is impossible to trace. Therefore tha local Pharmacy Board has also started to be more strict with the controlling of the imported medicines, but it still does not solve the problem.

Because of the poverty of the local population, the people use the herbs ordered by the traditional healers for their health problems. Unfortunately many people even lose their lives because of these treatments.

I will send you some photos of your medicines ,when they arrived to our medicines, but this will be next week, because we have big problems with the internet connections.

Thank you again.

Sincerely

Merja Heitto

Medical Coordinator

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