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Taiwan Donates 20,000 Face Masks to Juan F. Luis Hospital

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The Government of Taiwan, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Miami (“TECO”) has donated 20,000 face masks to the Juan F. Luis Hospital as part of Taiwan's support for first responders during National Hospital Week.

“The JFL Team is thankful to TECO for this generous donation of 20,000 masks during National Hospital Week that will ensure that we are able to protect frontline healthcare workers and patients,” said Dyma Williams, JFL acting CEO. “We are forever grateful for this show of goodwill and hope for the U.S. Virgin Islands during this pandemic. I also would like to take this time to thank U.S. Virgin Islands Special Economic Envoy to Taiwan, Anthony Weeks, for his assistance in helping to arrange and coordinate the delivery of the donated medical masks to the hospital.”

“COVID-19 is a global pandemic... a common threat to mankind around the world. This virus knows no borders; the international community must stand together to confront this challenge. Taiwan cherishes the long-lasting relationship established with the USVI and wishes to express its support through the donation of the 20,000 medical masks. The donation not only fulfills the promise that ‘Taiwan can help,’ but that Taiwan is helping,” said TECO Director General David Chien.

Anthony Weeks, St. Croix Economic Development Initiative (SEDI) managing director, who helped facilitate the donation, said, “Taiwan has transformed itself from an importer to the world’s second-largest producer of medical masks. Countries around the globe must unite, show solidarity, provide mutual assistance, and work together to combat the Novel Coronavirus. As a Virgin Islander, it is my privilege to work with the JFL Team to protect frontline healthcare workers.”

Anyone who wants to contribute to JFL's efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic may contact rlewis@jflusvi.org using the subject line DONATION.

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