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STATEMENT

“Following last weekend’s major developments in Syria, HI is calling for the end of violence and a commitment to long-term peace in the country. More than 400,000 people have been killed in the 13-year conflict, and more than 13 million Syrians have been forcibly displaced, either as refugees or within their own homeland. The conflict marked by continuous violations of international humanitarian law and human rights law had devastating ripple effects.

Syria is facing one of the most severe humanitarian crises of our time. The economy has collapsed, and a striking percentage of the population lives in poverty. Over 2.8 million persons with disabilities in Syria face daily challenges to access essential services including healthcare and rehabilitation. HI continues to support persons with disabilities and those injured by the conflict, while addressing the catastrophic impact of contamination by explosive remnants of war, which continues to pose severe risks to civilians.

The risk of further escalation remains high. We call on all parties involved to end the violence in Syria and address the urgent humanitarian and stability needs of the population.”

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