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PAUL WOLFOWITZ: AMERICANS WANT ASSURANCE ON CORRUPTION – BUT SUPPORT INVESTING MORE IN GLOBAL AIDS, MALARIA, HEALTH

*Corruption is a "Global Disease" Rich Countries Must Also Tackle,
He Says at TIME Global Health Summit*

NEW YORK – The biggest challenge in getting Americans to support the funding of health initiatives in underdeveloped countries is to persuade them that money makes a difference, Paul D. Wolfowitz, President of the World Bank, said today at the TIME Global Health Summit.

Americans want to do more to save lives in poor countries. But the belief that widespread corruption exists "is holding donors back" Mr. Wolfowitz said on the final day of a three-day summit sponsored by TIME magazine and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which has gathered together national and international leaders in medicine, government, business, religion and the arts to develop actions and solutions to world health crises.

Mr. Wolfowitz said that he was encouraged by new leadership in many of the countries of sub-Saharan Africa who are "making a difference." He also pointed out that corruption is a "global disease" not unique to underdeveloped countries, saying that it takes "two partners," including individuals from developed countries offering bribes, and that in a recently discovered corrupt transaction between an aide to a senior South African official and a corporation from a wealthy country, South Africa has already taken action against the aide, but the corporation's home country has not.

Mr. Wolfowitz said that health initiatives should first focus on a small number of countries, "get it done," and demonstrate to people that their support can indeed improve the health of impoverished people.

And to move hundreds of millions of people from poverty, donors like the World Bank and rich countries can't just focus on AIDS, or malaria, but the whole complex of development needs, Wolfowitz said.

For more information about the TIME Global Health Summit, or for webcasts, transcripts, downloadable photos and breaking news, log on to www.time.com/globalhealth. A transcript of Wolfowitz's comments will be on TIME.com/globalhealth this afternoon.

TIME.com also features an ongoing blog by TIME's team of science and health writers throughout the Summit.

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