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AUDI AG donates to earthquake victims in China

- Support goes to a China aid fund for orphans
- CEO of AUDI AG, Rupert Stadler: "We would like to help the people in Sichuan as quickly as possible"
- Audi employee campaign in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm

Ingolstadt/Beijing – AUDI AG is donating one million RMB (100,000 euros) to the aid fund in China to support orphans in Sichuan. The province in southwestern China was struck by a major earthquake last week. A separate employee campaign will coordinate donations by Audi employees at both its production sites in Germany.

"We are deeply saddened by this horrendous natural catastrophe and would like to help the people in Sichuan as quickly as possible. We have been active in China for more than 20 years, and therefore have a special affinity for this country and its people," says Rupert Stadler, Chairman of the Board of Management of AUDI AG. "On behalf of the company and all its employees, I extend our deep sympathies to the victims and their families," adds Stadler.

An Audi employee campaign in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm was announced at the same time by Peter Mosch, Chairman of the General Works Council: "We want to restore hope for the future to the people and particularly the children. We at Audi are aware of our social responsibility. Audi is a strong company, with a strong team ready and willing to live up to its responsibility to help."



The Audi Sales Division in the FAW-VW joint venture had previously donated two million RMB (200,000 euros) for the establishment of the "Audi Special Relief Fund for Children Affected by the Sichuan Earthquake." AUDI AG is now contributing an additional amount to help provide rapid aid for the earthquake victims. The check for one million RMB was presented to Xu Jianyi, President of the joint venture partner FAW, in Ingolstadt today and it will be forwarded immediately to the aid fund in China. The proceeds from the employee campaign will be presented at a later time.

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AUDI AG sold a total of 964,151 cars in 2007 and thus achieved its twelfth consecutive record year. With revenue of €33,617 million and profit before tax of €2,915 million, the company attained its best figures ever. Audi produces vehicles in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm (Germany), Györ (Hungary), Changchun (China) and Brussels (Belgium). At the end of 2007, production of the Audi A6 started in Aurangabad, India. The company is active in more than 100 markets worldwide. AUDI AG's wholly owned subsidiaries include Lamborghini S.p.A. in Sant'Agata Bolognese, Italy, and quattro GmbH in Neckarsulm. Audi employs more than 54,000 people worldwide, including 45,000 in Germany. The brand with the four rings invests more than €2 billion each year in order to sustain the company's technological lead embodied in its "Vorsprung durch Technik" slogan. Audi plans to significantly increase the number of models in its portfolio by 2015, from the 26 currently on offer to 40.