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Vale joins forces with the Global Fund to fight malaria

The donation will help support malaria programs in Mozambique and Malawi.

Vale is contributing US\$ 3 million to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, covering the period 2013-2015. The donation, which is the first direct contribution by a Latin American company to the Global Fund, will help support malaria programs in Mozambique and Malawi.

"We strongly welcome Vale's contribution to the Global Fund and commend the organization for taking this important step," said Dr. Mark Dybul, Executive Director of the Global Fund. "The private sector is playing a pivotal role in supporting the fight against the diseases, through monetary contributions or in-kind donations. Vale's donation sets an example for others to follow".

Vale operates a coal mine in Moatize, Mozambique, and is also developing a port and railroad infrastructure project in the region, crossing Malawi. Vania Somavilla, Vale's Executive Director for Human Resources, Health and Safety and Sustainability, said the company's move to support the Fund is a milestone.

"Vale is honored to support the Global Fund and to become the first Latin American company to collaborate with an organization that supports health programs in more than 140 countries. In Africa, the control of malaria is a major public health challenge. Vale, which is present in the continent, is committed to contribute to the fight against the disease."

The partnership will be announced on Monday evening at an official event in Washington D.C., where Vale and other supporters from the Global Fund will be present.

About Vale

Vale is one of the three largest metals and mining company and one of the largest publicly traded companies in the world. Vale has a market capitalization of around US\$ 80 billion, with approximately 400,000 shareholders from all continents. Vale is the world's largest producer of iron ore and iron ore pellets and the world's second largest producer of nickel. We also produce manganese, ferroalloys, thermal and coking coal, copper, cobalt, platinum group metals, and fertilizer nutrients, important raw materials for the global industrial and food production industries.

All of Vale's activities are guided by a management policy of transparency, respect for shareholders' rights, protection of the environment, employee development, and improving the quality of life in the communities in which we operate.

Through Vale Foundation, Vale maintains social programs centered on development that sustains the regions where it operates, oriented at all times by a profound respect for local values and customs. Over the last three years, Vale invested US\$ 1.2 billion in social projects. These community programs focus on education, healthcare, culture, infrastructure and promotion of citizenship.

About the Global Fund

The Global Fund is an international financing institution dedicated to attracting and disbursing resources to prevent and treat HIV and AIDS, TB and malaria. The Global Fund promotes partnerships between governments, civil society, the private sector and affected communities, the most effective way to help reach those in need. This innovative approach relies on country ownership and performance-based funding, meaning that people in countries implement their own programs based on their priorities and the Global Fund provides financing where verifiable results are achieved.

Since its creation in 2002, the Global Fund has supported more than 1,000 programs in more than 140 countries, providing AIDS treatment for 6.1 million people, anti-tuberculosis treatment for 11.2 million people and 360 million insecticide-treated nets for the prevention of malaria. The Global Fund works in close collaboration with other bilateral and multilateral organizations to supplement existing efforts in dealing with the three diseases.

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