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UN Lao PDR presents emergency funds to Vientiane Capital for flood relief

As part of the UN response to the August flood which affected Vientiane Capital, and in response to a request from Vientiane Capital, USD 38,375 was today presented to purchase food and drinking water for affected households in Vientiane. The funds are derived from the OCHA (Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs) emergency cash grant received by the UN in Lao PDR for initial flood relief measures.

The presentation was made at the Vientiane Capital Governor's Office by Mr. Stéphane Vigié, UNDP Resident Representative a.i., on behalf of the UN Resident Coordinator, to the Vice Mayor of Vientiane Capital H.E. Mr. Somvandy Nathavong a.i..

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