

Maldives, December 31st 2004

**SONEVA RESORTS & SIX SENSES SPAS
TSUNAMI UPDATE**

As part of the Six Senses Group, Soneva Resorts in the Maldives share their grief and thoughts with all those affected by this tragedy, with the scale of the disaster mounting daily we cannot begin to come to terms with the impact and affect this will have on so many people. With the Six Senses spirit in mind we have immediately donated the whole of our Social Responsibilities programme to the relief effort, amounting to almost USD\$140,000 from the two Soneva resorts alone.

We would like to invite you to support and share with us in helping the region come to terms with this and get back on their feet, and to this end there are a number of ways you might like to assist:

- Making a donation to some of the many organizations involved in the relief effort (see more information below).
- Sending donations of clothing and other essential materials again either to one of the many organizations helping the relief effort or directly to us.
- Continuing to travel to and promote the region, not only the Maldives, but to any affected areas, without your financial support through tourism the disaster will have an even greater long term impact on the livelihoods of all those affected, please keep traveling and promoting the region.

We would like to thank you for your continued support to help the region move forward and with this in mind we have provided below more information on the situation in our properties. This is with the aim to give you the confidence that we are ready, able and willing to welcome guests to the Maldives and ensure they will enjoy their time with us, secure in the knowledge that their time spent with us will also help many of the local communities both in the Maldives and further afield.

Thank you to all of you who have sent messages of support and already committed donations to the relief fund, your help and support will be much appreciated.

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When the Tsunami hit our islands our first priority was for the safety of our guests and staff, at both resorts all guests and staff were safe and well, with a small number sustaining minor injuries. With this in mind all guests at Soneva Gili were relocated to neighbouring hotels or to Male. Currently we are undertaking a full survey of the affect on Soneva Gili Resort, the analysis and results of which will be available in early January. All guests are invited to either postpone their stay or relocate to Soneva Fushi Resort.

At Soneva Fushi Resort, the fact that the resort's 66 villas are located on an island with verdant jungle the incident caused minor damage to a total of 6 guest villas, there were no injuries and all 150 guests and additional staff were accounted for. All guests remained on the Island.

The resort is operational and is continuing to welcome guests while as much as possible maintaining the same levels of service and comfort. Restaurants and bars are back to operating as normal after we served guests lunch and dinner in a temporary dining area on December 26th & 27th. Our Dive School and watersports centres are operating normally.

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SONEVA FUSHI RESORT & SIX SENSES SPA DETAILED REPORT

No damage to any jetties was sustained and we received minor damage to 6 villas, repairs will be completed within one week. Electrical circuits and telephones were affected in a large number of the Sunrise side villas, but we are repairing all damaged electrical circuits at the moment and expect this to be completed in the next few days. TV's, in room safes and Hifi equipment was also affected, however new equipment has already been purchased and will be installed early in the new year. Virtually all the pumps in the villa swimming pools were affected and the pools will require emptying, cleaning and refilling, this is being worked on as we speak, any clients with bookings for villas with Pools for arrivals before January 10th should contact us to discuss their status.



ARRIVAL JETTY

*****PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PICTURES IN THIS DETAILED REPORT WERE TAKEN
ON 30 DECEMBER 2004 AT SONEVA FUSHI RESORT & SIX SENSES SPA*****

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The main bar and restaurant are now operating normally and the quality of food has not been affected.



MAIN BAR

The water system is working normally, with hot and cold water available, and although previously there was some disruption to hot water to some of the villas this has now been addressed. Additionally air-conditioning is functioning normally in all villas.



PUBLIC TOILET SINK



DELUXE CRUSOE VILLA BATHROOM

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The resort has been cleaned of any debris and while this continues by January 1st at the latest we expect the island to be back to its former pristine condition.



GUEST RELATIONS CHAMPA



GUEST RELATIONS DESK

All boats are functioning normally and Seaplane transfers are also operating as well as the Soneva Lounge at the Seaplane terminal.



DELUXE CRUSOE VILLA EXTERIOR

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For guests who have booked the day package option at Soneva Gili we have made alternative arrangements for the time being.



DELUXE CRUSOE VILLA BEDROOM



DELUXE CRUSOE VILLA STAIRCASE

Clients are happy and enjoying themselves, we hope to be placing some guest comments on the web site by the end of today.



MAIN RESTAURANT BEACH FRONT



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SONEVA RESORTS & SIX SENSES SPAS RELIEF FUND

We have set up a relief fund to assist our staff, their families and local communities, many of whom have lost family members, houses and possessions.

We are undertaking a number of measures to assist some of the many people affected by this disaster, some of the efforts include:

1. Setting up the relief fund
2. Providing food, water, shelter, clothing, diesel and manpower to 3 local islands to help them get back on their feet (one island had had no food or water when we visited them and did not even have a cup or plate left in their possession, they literally lost everything).
3. Placing the total amount of our social responsibilities programme into the relief fund, this programme is funded by Six Senses commitment to donate .5% of all revenues to the programme.
4. Inviting guests who wish to cancel their reservations to donate, in lieu of us charging any cancellation fees, a sum directly into the relief fund

If there is any way in which you would like to help or think you can help please email us at relief.fund@sixsenses.com.

Many of you have been asking what you can do to help, we as well as the donations a large number of our staff lost their mobile phones, Laptops, walkmans, mini disk players and mini music systems. If anyone would like to donate items of this nature they would be well received by our staff, please send them to:

The Relief Fund
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c/o Bunny Holdings BVI Limited
2nd Floor
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The Six Senses Group also has hotels in Thailand and Vietnam and although our hotel in Phuket was not badly damaged the scale of the damage overall in Phuket is truly devastating.

For further information regular updates are posted on our web site www.sixsenses.com

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NATIONAL DISASTER CENTRE

In addition to the Six Senses Relief Fund, we also encourage support of the National Disaster Centre, which has been set up by the Government of the Maldives. The proceeds of this fund will be donated to communities having suffered in the Maldives. Donations by the National Disaster Centre are accepted in the form of material goods, clothes, food and cash. More information can be obtained via the following:

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