

WASHINGTON D.C - Christian Connections for International Health (CCIH) released the following statement on the urgency to pass the three-bill package for additional emergency funding bills in the House of Representatives.

Statement from Doug Fountain, Executive Director, Christian Connections for International Health.

As the world rightly seeks action to calm the crisis in Ukraine, the Middle East, and Pacific regions, U.S. leadership is greatly needed at this moment. Christian Connections for International Health applauds Congress for taking action to address these urgent emergencies.

However, equally critical is the <u>\$26.8 billion</u> included in the supplemental package that would go towards the foreign assistance account and support humanitarian efforts assisting those who are most vulnerable to disease, hunger, and lack of shelter.

These necessary and life-saving resources would have a significant impact on the people affected by crises around the world, such as the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Haiti, and South Sudan. These emergencies are much less publicized, but no less worthy of our support,

Christian Connections for International Health urges Congress to swiftly pass this funding package and strongly opposes any efforts to reduce or remove resources that would go towards humanitarian efforts.

This is also a reminder of the critical role of the Foreign Assistance account, and the importance of providing robust funding to these life-saving initiatives as Congress works to develop Fiscal Year 2025.

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