"Rescue Squad Ready for Potential Olympic Needs"

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LISA GUERRERO: Dan, what is it that Global Rescue does?

DAN RICHARDS: So we provide medical, security, evacuation, crisis response and other kinds of critical services for people who find themselves in terrible circumstances. We support individuals and families who buy our memberships. We support corporations, basically any company big or small that's got international office locations or international travelers, and governments. You know we've been involved in basically every major event of the last ten years.

So, Japan for instance during the earthquake and tsunami, Haiti after the earthquake there, the Arab Spring, we've been involved in evacuating Americans there. So we typically deploy our own personnel, many of who have military, former special operations experience, medical personnel, aircraft to the extent that we need to move someone via air out of these locations, and we typically deploy, again, our own personnel so that we're on site and able to manage the situation.

We have two types of aircraft, medically configured aircraft that can function almost as flying intensive care units for people who have been injured or have taken ill in this location, and then aircraft that are configured to do mass evacuations. So to be able to move dozens or even hundreds of people at a time. And those aircraft are not medically configured, so what we do is we try and fit the aircraft to what the mission requirements happen to be.

So the types of injuries we might expect to see in a place like Sochi would potentially have shrapnel or traumatic-type injuries associated with those patients' conditions — and this type of

equipment is exactly the type of equipment that would treat and help sustain life for those patients as they're transported from one place to another.

The way that we think about things are in terms of likelihood and magnitude. The likelihood that anything happens is not particularly high, but the likelihood that something big happens is very, very low. If something does occur it will likely be local and contained, but there's no guarantee of that. So I think that any spectators that are attending the Games should go in with their eyes wide open and understand that the possibility certainly exists that something is going to happen.

LISA GUERRERO: Dan, do you have a family?

DAN RICHARDS: I do.

LISA GUERRERO: Would you let your family attend the Olympics this year?

DAN RICHARDS: That's another great question – I would.

LISA GUERRERO: You would, so you feel confident that Americans will be safe traveling to Sochi and performing in Sochi?

DAN RICHARDS: I do.

LISA GUERRERO: And you're there to back that up.

DAN RICHARDS: We're gonna try.