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**** MEDIA ADVISORY ****

FRIDAY: Embassy of Qatar and World Central Kitchen Continue Ramadan Partnership with Meal Deliveries to NYC Residents in Need

NEW YORK — Representatives from the **Embassy of the State of Qatar** to the United States and acclaimed Chef José Andrés' **World Central Kitchen** (WCK) will deliver meals to residents of the Baruch public housing development on Friday, part of an ongoing partnership between the Embassy and WCK to celebrate Ramadan — a month-long moment for reflection, self-awareness, and philanthropy and a time to encourage that spirit of giving and charity around the world. This week's meal deliveries are part of the partnership's larger goal to deliver 5,000 meals to those in need in New York City this spring.

Diplomats, World Central Kitchen volunteers, and restaurant staff will prepare and package food at **Tsisimis** before commencing delivery of 350 meals on Friday.

*** Interviews are available with diplomats from the Qatari consulate, representatives from World Central Kitchen, and from Tsisimis.*

WHO:

Mohammed Jassin, Consulate of the State of Qatar

Fiona Donovan, Relief Operations Lead, World Central Kitchen

Jappy Afzelius, Executive Chef, Tsisimis

WHEN:

Friday, May 7, 2021 (times below)

SCHEDULE:

Food Preparation — 12:00 p.m. EST

Tsisimis

143 Orchard St.

New York, New York 10002

Food Delivery #1 — 1 p.m. EST

Baruch Housing

110 Columbia Street

New York, New York 10002

MEDIA RSVP:

Media interested in attending the pickup/delivery or interviewing spokespeople should RSVP to alex@getproofusa.com to coordinate additional logistical details.

About the Embassy of the State of Qatar to the United States

The Embassy of the State of Qatar in Washington, D.C. houses Qatar's diplomatic mission to the United States. The primary purposes of the Embassy of Qatar are to highlight Qatar's policies on regional issues, strengthen Qatar-U.S. bilateral relations, and to assist Qatari citizens who travel or live in the U.S. The current Ambassador of the State of Qatar to the United States of America is His Excellency Sheikh Meshal Bin Hamad Al-Thani.

About World Central Kitchen

Founded in 2010 by Chef José Andrés, World Central Kitchen (WCK) uses the power of food to nourish communities and strengthen economies in times of crisis and beyond. WCK has created a new model for disaster response through its work helping devastated communities recover and establish resilient food systems. WCK has served more than 50 million fresh meals to people impacted by natural disasters and other crises around the world in countries including The Bahamas, Indonesia, Lebanon, Mozambique, Venezuela, and the United States. WCK's Resilience Programs in the Caribbean and Central America have trained hundreds of chefs and school cooks, advanced clean cooking practices, and awarded grants to farms, fisheries and small food businesses while also providing training and networking opportunities. Learn more at wck.org.

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