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Seated from left to right: Asghar Ali, Muhammad Tariq Khan, Brig. Sajid Naeem, and Ahmed Kamal, Head of the Delegation.

Standing from left to right: Tahir Minhas, Muhammad Kalwar, Amir Mohyuddin, Dr. Zahid Bhutta, Dr. Rashid Ahmed Khan, Ambassador (retired) George Bruno and Farman Ali Khilji.

US-PAKISTAN DELEGATES VISIT ELLIOT HOSPITAL

Manchester, NH---US-Pakistan delegates visited Elliot Hospital one day prior to their two day US-PAKISTAN Conference slated to take place on March 9-10 at the Radisson in Manchester, NH. The conference is conducted in cooperation with the Pentagon's office of disaster relief, Central Command, US Army Corps of Engineers, NH National Guard, USAID and the US Embassy in Pakistan. The program is now in its tenth year and is sponsored by the UNH Partners for Peace and is managed by USA Group International, Manchester, NH.

Elliot is the only hospital to be visited by the delegation, Steven Finnegan, Director of Emergency Management at Elliot plans to tour the delegation and discuss emergency management in a healthcare setting. "It's an honor to be chosen to be part of this effort. It is a testament to the work that many of us do every day behind the scenes in preparation of an emergency," explained Finnegan.

"These leaders are experts in emergency planning and response. Many of them were engaged in this past summer's relief effort following the devastating floods that covered over one-third of their country, claiming over 1,500 lives. It was a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas," added Finnegan.

Dr. Robert Gougelet, an international emergency doctor from Dartmouth College will also address the delegation at the Elliot providing an interactive discussion on the mobilization of resources and emergency preparedness in international crisis.

Elliot Health System is the largest provider of comprehensive healthcare services in Southern New Hampshire, the cornerstone of which is Elliot Hospital, a 296-bed acute care facility and the first community hospital in the state. Elliot is home to Manchester's designated Regional Trauma Center, a Level 3 Newborn Intensive Care Unit, Elliot Physician Network, the Elliot Senior Health Center, Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire, Elliot 1-Day Surgery Center, Elliot Breast Health Center and Elliot Regional Cancer Center. For more information on any of Elliot's services, call ELLIOT ON-CALL at 663-4567. ###