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Greetings ALL STARS,

You will recall that at the International Assembly in San Diego I promoted a Malaria Vaccine Project being funded by Rotary District 9640. As a retired Professor of Biochemistry, I am excited about the scientific approach used to create this vaccine, and preliminary studies indicate high immunogenic reactivity against several malaria species.

Our goal is to raise \$500,000 to enable this phase 1 clinical trial to commence, and already we have raised \$100,000 due to the generosity of Australian Rotarians.

Australian Rotarians against Malaria have endorsed this project, and authorised the establishment of a tax-deductible fund through the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society.

We were delighted that Rotary International Director Noel Trevaskis endorsed this program and on Monday March 27, His Excellency General Sir Peter Cosgrove AC MC (Retd.) the Governor General of Australia officially launched this fund.

This letter is to give you an update on the fund, and to request you to promote this fund amongst Rotarians in your district. Full details of the vaccine trial can be found on the website <http://malariavaccineproject.com>

If we are able to “fast track” a vaccine against malaria, millions of lives will be saved. Your contributions will enable us to realise this goal.

I look forward to hearing from you, and thank you for your assistance with this project.

Yours in Rotary service,

**Michael Irving**