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Happy Holidays from all of us at AIMS

This past year, our tenth anniversary, provided an opportunity to reflect on the many accomplishments and honours bestowed on our Institute.

We believe AIMS has made a difference in 2005, and in 2006 we will continue to provide leading-edge, ground-breaking and thought-provoking research and analysis. All of us at AIMS hope that you and your loved ones will have a happy holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

*In celebration of our success this year and in recognition of the hard work and commitment of AIMS' staff, our offices will close from 5pm on Friday, December 23, 2005 until 9am Tuesday January 3, 2006. If you need to contact the Institute on an **urgent basis** during that time, please contact:*

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Merry Christmas from all of us at AIMS!

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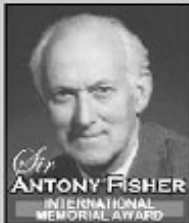
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