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Letter of recommendation

To whom it may concern,

I have been familiar with the work of the Dandora Dumpsite Rehabilitation Group (DADREG) since its foundation in 2009 and have seen the organization working eagerly on empowerment of underprivileged young people through its sport and education programmes. As Special Adviser to the United Nations Secretary-General on Sport for Development and Peace, I have had the opportunity to work with many grassroots sport and development organizations or initiatives. I am confident in saying that this community based organization in Nairobi, Kenya, DADREG is in a top tier of them.

DADREG has been very active in the fields of sports and education in order to bring more and more young people out of the dumpsite and get them back to school or vocational training institutions. Engaging young people in sports and education has offered them unique opportunities to foster critical life skills, such as the ability to work in a team and face challenges with confidence and courage.

I first met the head of the organization, Ms. Rosemary Aluoch, in 2010. I was fortunate to see the firsthand positive impact that DADREG has on its community. After having met her, my office started partnering with them. Thanks to this partnership, the organization was able to extend its activities and give more young people a brighter perspective for their future. Since the start of our partnership we have remained in close contact and I was able to witness the progress of many of these young people.

The organization has been a very reliable partner, follows the guidelines of transparency and serves as an outstanding place for young people where they can obtain life skills for a better future.

Without external support, these achievements would not have been possible. In order to further extend the activities of DADREG, equipment for educational and sportive purposes is needed.

I have no hesitation to recommend DADREG for any such future partnerships and I would be delighted to see a new partnership growing.

Please feel free to contact me or my office for any further information or questions regarding this exemplary organization, the Dandora Dumpsite Rehabilitation Group.

Sincerely,

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