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Ambassadors and Act4Africa Supporters

Dear Friends,

A year ago we shared with you our heart for 2009 and you gave us your support and helped us to get through one of the most difficult times we have experienced as a charity. We now stand on the threshold of the next decade and as you are such a valued part of the close-knit Act4Africa family we wished you to be amongst the first to hear about some exciting key developments for the charity.

- 2010 is Act4Africa's 10th Anniversary year!
- We plan to celebrate this milestone and accelerate the impact of our HIV/AIDS education programmes by reaching **5 million young Africans over 5 years.**
- This will be achieved through delivery of our innovative, Train the Trainers, HIV/AIDS Prevention and Gender equality programmes.

You can help us succeed in our ambitious goal in several ways:

- At the end of May there is the unique opportunity for 10 intrepid trekkers to raise funds for our work through our "Trek the Mountains of the Moon", in western Uganda. Do you know someone who would be up for this amazing challenge? Please help us by pointing them to our website for details.
- In June and July, you have the chance to raise essential funds by joining or helping to organise a "Walk of Hope" to cover the 4162 mile distance between our offices in Manchester and Jinja. Don't worry the distances will all be added together so you can just stroll a sponsored mile or two if anything more energetic would exhaust you.
- On Sat 13th November we are hosting a "Celebration of Life" evening when we plan to bring together many of the Act4Africa family. Please put this date in your diary and come and join in the celebrations as we look back over the last 10 years and forwards to the future.
- We need to secure at least another 50 regular monthly donors who would support us by giving £10/month. If every one of our Ambassadors and key supporters could secure just 2 of their friends to support us in this way it would make a huge difference.

Please consider how you could help us reach our target of 5 million lives changed forever.

Finally Kathy and I cannot begin to thank you enough for all your support this past year and we really hope that you have a joy filled Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

Blessings

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Martin Smedley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Martin Smedley
CEO