

AUFAD g.e.V. African Union and Friends of Africa in Diaspora

End of year report 2008

We thank all the members of AUFAD e.V. who have been very magnanimous with their moral support. The African Union and Friends of Africa in Diaspora and Her executives equally thank all of you that have contributed financially and morally to our just course.

The year 2008, has been a very good year for AUFAD. We now have a baby AUFAD in Africa. It is called Food, Education, Shealter and Health, rightfully acronimed <u>"FESH" - Complete package</u>.

The Chief Executive officer (CEO) of <u>FESH-Complete</u> <u>package</u>, is our consultant on Africa and poverty. He is a professor of Politics and conflict management, Solicitor and Advocate Supreme Court of Nigeria, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Benin, Nigeria. His name is Prof. S. E. Orobator.

The General-Secetary for <u>FESH-Complete package</u> is one of our founding navigators. He is currently one of our principle consultants in the areas of Human Rights, Protection of

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Tel.: 0931-32987313 Fax: 0931-35920685 women, widows, orphans, sustainable developments and childrens right to basic education. He is a professor of Law, Barrister and Solicitor, an advocate for humanity, Prof. Lawrence Asekome Atsegbua.

The treasurer for <u>FESH-Complete package</u> is Mr. Olalekan J. Odubayo. A philantropist of great magnitude, a strong advocate for family values and a successful business man. He has single handedly empowered over a hundred people. The good news is, our President, Mr. Ogbebor Godwin is one of his beneficiaries. In the year 1991, Mr. Ogbebor Godwin was chased out of his country, by hunger. This hunger was brought about by the dictatorship of the military junter, as personalised by the then Head of State of Nigeria, General, Ibrahim Babangida, he followed the tenets of the structural adjustment programs by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund religiosly to the detriment of his people and country. The de-ethnicised tribal cabal of millioneers he created nationalised corruption and institutionalised it with abadoned recklessness. Many people ran away from their country, Child prostitution mushroomed, Cults and Secret societies were formed to create economic barriers, the previus cults metamophosed to millitiers and gangsters fighting for supremacy and a peice of the national cake. Formal and informal education was killed, human trafficking was legitimized without a portfolio, the reign of mental, ethic and moral divorce was established. Unfortunately we are still harvesting the out come of those dark days. The treasurer for_ FESH-Complete package turned his house and offices in Cameroon to a lodging hostel for economic immigrants. He did not only give them shealter, he empowered them through varius arts of skill aquisition, barbing, road side restaurants, trading and micro-finance to name a few. His beneficiaries are

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We are happy to be associated with all this credible men of calibre who has established their worth by their deeds.

Our biggest problem has always been our inability to find a proactive willing partner of like minds. I am happy to inform you all that we have this bridge behind us because of FESH-Complete package. We now have credible partners in progress who will implement and monitor our projects on the ground.

PROJECT CHAD/DARFURE

We are still unable to have an office in Chad for security reasons. The people of Chad, particularly those in Abeche where AUFAD sent deligates to last year, 2007 have become very skeptical of the international comunity because of the action of a French NGO called Zoe's Ark with over 50 active volunteers. The Zoe's Ark was formed by Mr. Erik Breteau, a former President of the French 4x4 Federation. He named this association after a girl orphaned by the Asian 2004 Tsunami. The group registered as a Non Governmental Organization by the French authourities, and their principle objective was to help the poor children who were victims of the Tsunami.

On Tuesday October 2007, six members of the Charity organization (Zoe's Ark) were formally charged for attempts to kidnap 103 children, for organs sale and slavery in France. Some victims in France paid up to 7,000-00 dollars a child. This same group of people registered in Chad under the name Children Rescue. They placed bandages stained with fake blood on the children to pretend as if they were injured.

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Three jounalists, seven Spanish crew members and four Chadian and Sudanese nationals, were all charged for complicity in the attempts to steal and illegally airlift 103 children from Abeche, Chad.

The French President went to Chad to secure the release of those people who were not officials of Zoe's Ark prior to trial.

The Children were not orphans. All of them but six, were from Chad. *THE CHILDREN WERE AGED BETWEEN*, 1 and 10.

Six members of the group were convicted on the 26 Dec. 2007 and sentenced to 8 years in prisonment with hard labour. The 6 convicts were sent to France, because of the treaty between France and Chad that allows for prisoners to serve their jail terms in their countries. They were all set free when they got to France after they spent less than three months in jail.

Zoe's Ark Founder, Erik Breteau left.



I beg all of you to please visit our website again and see our end of year report for 2007. Our plans for the children of Chad and Dafure including the host communities, was a master plan.

You will discover that there wouldn't have been any room for kidnappings and organs sales to the highest bidder. Our golden plan encompasses, education, security, health, shealter and job all in one package!!!

AUFAD VILLAGE

The farm project we started is still in progress. We acquired six sets of Machets, six sets of hoes, and and one Motor Saw. We are making contacts within the corridors of power at the State level, for assistance in the areas of expertise and Tractors.

There are many factors that has contributed to our inability to creat job opportunity for 20 people through the farm innitiative this year. It all boils down to one principal factor, MONEY.

The issues of donor fatigue, when it has to do with Africa and the Global financial melt down of this year has not been of help.

Consequence of failure:

AUFAD and her leaders are proud to have lead the way once again, by identifying the only credible way of alleviating poverty from its grass root. Agriculture.

It is worth to note that AUFAD came up with the farm project, at a time when there was no food scarcity in the world. Today it is official that the cost of food has gone up world wide, and agricultural production droped by 25%.

What this means for Africa, is that those countries that lives or depend on food aid will suffer death effected by hunger related illnesses.

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We have gone to confirm the report of vulnourable women sacrificing their body for food. They stand by the road side by night or at the bus stop by day, in search of men who will give them a ride. They get into the vehicle, only to tell the driver that they have know where to sleep. They end up sleeping with this men for a week, only to be paid by a weeks food. The result of this one week food is unwanted baby dumped by the road side to die or be adopted.

The lucky children who are adopted are only given food to keep them alive till they are strong enough to fend for themselves. They are unilaterally liberated without any form of skill, education and family. Bare in mind that the only insurance policy, that is African, is family support!

This kind of children refered to, becomes instrument of terror for politicians, motor park tout or thugs, hardend criminals or prostituts.

This circle keeps reapiting itselve till it metamophose into a war maching, this has become the peril of many African nations.

The reason for this analogy is to, enable us understand the effect of hunger and the importance of an agrarian Africa. In this context, hunger and poverty does not share the same equilibrium.

Conclusion: We would have been able to cultivate the 18km square of land we were offered by, His Royal Highness, Godwin Eweka.

The money we expected from donors did not come in till now.

I have attached a copy of the news report, stating that multinationals are scrambling for land in Nigeria and Edo State in particular.

If we do not start cultivating this land by the next dry season(Nov.- Jan.), we may lose this land to multinationals.

Edo to partner Zimbabwean farmers

- > Monday, 10 March 2008
- > Edo State Government at the weekend said that it has held talks with White Zimbabwean farmers on the possibility of establishing large commercial farms in the state.
- > Currently, Zimbabwean farmers are in Kwara State where they have established mechanised farms.
- > Special Adviser to the Edo State Governor on Farm Development, Ms. Uwa Osunbor, who disclosed this in Benin said that representatives of the Zimbabwean farmers had already inspected sites in three local government areas in the northern part of the state, adding that each farmer would require about a thousand hectares, saying that the arrangement would be comprehensive, giving room for farming processing and export, adding that, "We have the land and the climate. Since they are willing to come, 'why not'. We went to three local governments where the chairmen were ready and willing to accept them."
- > Ms. Osunbor disclosed that Etsako West, Etsako Central where the farmers visited would be suitable for rice farming just as Uhunmwode and Uromi would be a good place for pineapple and oranges.
- > She, however, said that the farmers would not just be let in to make their profit and go away. "They will teach new technologies to our farmers; how to apply fertiliser and more."

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> The special adviser allayed fears that the farmers would take

away the farmlands from the indigenous owners, saying, "It is the indigenous people that will benefit. Most of the land is wasting away. We have over 200,000 hectares of land wasting away," even as she indicated that some American farmers were soon to come for inspection.

As you can see from the last paragragh, time is rushing against us and finance for the project has decleared itself enemy of progress. We have therefore decided to go on the offencive, doing everything legally possible to reach out to people this year, in providing funding for the farm through grants and financial securities.

THE ORPHANAGE

The orphanage home has seen the major progress and set backs in our agender for this year.

We have been able to keep to our promise of delivering food, financial and material support to the orphanage home in Benin City without any hiccups. We had reasons to visit four times this year and this gave us the opportunity to engage and activate our project monitoring team.

The TV and Casset Radio player for our kids at the orphanage is still in Storage because there is not enough room in the childrens home to place it. They will begin to enjoy it, as soon as we are able to establish a hall where they can watch while sitting comfortably.



The bad news is that the orphanage home has not been able to track down nine of the children. We spoke to the management at the home, asking to know the where about of the children. We were informed that some of them absconded why others have been adopted. The problem however is our inability to personaly verify the story. The orphanage home is not our baby, AUFAD e.V. is adopting the adoptee. This means we are likely to hit the wall when valuable informations are needed, we do not have complete access to the nitty-gritty admin. info's.

My fellow compatriots to humanity and moral ethics, I beg you all to support us in our effort to establish AUFAD e.V. personal home. Two days after I came from my African trip, Mrs Helga Steuer, our Vice President, went to Nigeria for one month in an under cover operation. It was while on this project monitoring mission that she discovered the abscenc of the 9 children. I was in Nigeria in November/December. I tried to get some explanations to their where about after corroborating

Mrs. Steuer's assertions of June. My finding is that the children are safe because there was no missing report, no death report from the police and no unknown kid burial within this period. That not withstanding, they are our children and they have a right to further mentoring. An AUFAD ORPHANAGE HOME under the auspice of AUFAD VILLAGE financed by AUFAD FARM is the only locomotive to full access, management and transparency.

I will be going with Mr.Heinz Jopp an architect of over 30 years experience to begin work on the project. We will be using Green friendly materials as a clear message to other NGOs and bodies that Green is cheaper and environmentaly rewarding. We already have the following: The Documents for the site, the architectural drawing for the/our orphanage home, six trips of sand and about 50 bags of cement. All paid for in full! And all members have access to ducuments!!

Beside the office for FESH Complete package (126, Ekenwan Road, Benin City) we opened an operational Headquarter in 105 First East Circular Road, Benin City because of space.

We are now having about 80sqm big office, consisting of two rooms.

Professor Orobator remains our CEO and Principal Liason Officer in Africa.

Professor Atzegbua remains our General Secretary. Engineer Bobby Eribo has been elevated to the position of Project Coordinator

FESH is now qualified for local fund sourcing and direct operational funding.

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Tel.: 0931-32987313 Fax: 0931-35920685 Our laudable goals demands the support of all. Come join us and contribute to our common humanity. Come join us and have a say in our common world. Instead of secretly critising the worlds standard imbalance, openly concretize your values through your actions and deeds to our Noble objectives. Don't secretly nurse the pain of your chief, friends, family and relatives not appreciating your ability, join us in AUFAD VILLAGE, and openly spend, only three weeks of your life in a working holiday that will enrich the people forever, through your professional expertize. A world where criminal negligence by financial institutions led to a gloabal financial break down affecting our dinning tables, and governments are manufacturing new money bills to curtail the situation without punishing the culprits. The only hope for mankind is our conscience and human virtues. Without you the vulnourable will perish, don't let them. The governments don't care.

We have our financial blue card from the ministry of finance, covering the last four years. We have just been given another three years Tax-Exemtion Certificate, this is a testimony to our clean financial health status with the Finance Ministry. Come join us because we will account for every cent you give, and you will see it in the smiles of the beneficiaries and feel it in the pulse that registers your satisfaction and accomplishment.

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The jeep that was assigned to us by the UNHCR on our way to Dafure/Sudan.



One of the war victims in the hospital, Abeche/Tchad.



The UN-building with electricity, air conditioner and water that was provided for us, is only 5 meters from this huts.



One of the mosqito-nets that was given to a Dafuran child in Abeche hospital.



Our vice-president, Mrs. Steuer, in the orphanage-home. Like you can see – Albinos are being killed in eastern Africa – we treat them like our children. Without you, this child would be hopeless.