



Ambassade du Burundi au Royaume-Uni
de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord

Embassy of Burundi in the United Kingdom
of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Londres, le 10 octobre 2012

Transmis Copie pour Information à

A S. E. Monsieur le Président de la République,
avec les assurances de ma plus haute considération

A S. E. M. le Premier Vice- Président de la République
avec les assurances de ma très haute considération

A S. E. M. le Deuxième Vice- Président de la République
avec les assurances de ma très haute considération

**A S. E. M. le Ministre des Relations Extérieures
et de la Coopération Internationale**

A Bujumbura

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Excellence Monsieur le Ministre,

J'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre en annexe à la présente, à l'intention de Son Excellence Monsieur Tabu Abdallah Manirakiza, Ministre des Finances et de la Planification du Développement Economique, une invitation lui adressée le 02 octobre 2012, par une Chaîne de Télévision basée au Royaume-Uni, BEN Television, pour recevoir un prix diplomatique de 2012 "Africa Development Ambassador's Award 2012", lors des cérémonies qui auront lieu le 23 novembre 2012, à Hilton Park Lane Hotel, Londres.

BEN Television a apprécié la façon dont le Ministère des Finances et de la Planification du Développement Economique, sous le leadership de son Excellence Monsieur le Ministre Thabu Abdallah Manirakiza, a pu gérer les politiques fiscales du Burundi durant cette période difficile de crise économique mondiale. La politique fiscale du Burundi a contribué à réduire la vulnérabilité externe et a également aidé à amortir l'impact de la crise financière mondiale.

Il sied de préciser que BEN Television (Bright Entertainment Network Television) est une chaîne de télévision britannique lancée en 2003. Elle a été mise en place notamment pour promouvoir un ensemble de divertissement, éducation, information...; elle comprend également des programmes de responsabiliser, de transformer et de remettre en question la perception traditionnelle de l'Afrique, des Caraïbes et de la diaspora africaine.

Veillez agréer, Excellence Monsieur le Ministre, l'expression de ma haute considération.

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-Son Excellence Monsieur le Ministre des Finances
et de la Planification du Développement Economique
à Bujumbura.

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TO:

HON :TABU ABDALLAH MANIRAKIZA
MINISTER OF FINANCE
BURUNDI

RE: BEN DIPLOMATIC AWARDS 2012 INVITATION

From 5PM to 10:30 PM Friday the 23rd November 2012 at the London Hilton Park Lane Hotel

It was nice to meet you in Addis ababa early this year at the finance ministers meeting.

I'm writing in reference to the forth coming fourth BEN TV DIPLOMATIC AWARDS 2012 to be held at the Hilton Park lane Hotel on the 23 November 2012.

The night will recognise and celebrate the diplomatic achievements made within the African, Caribbean, and Asia and Pacific missions in the UK and abroad. Missions and institutions will be awarded in the following categories:

- *Diaspora growth, development and involvement*
- *Good customer service at the High commission/embassy/institution*
- *Promoting country's image abroad*
- *Economic diplomacy*
- *Country's Human Development*
 - *Life time achievement award 2012*

Other categories to be awarded are:

Diplomat of the year from Africa, Caribbean and Pacific 2012

Diplomat of the Year from the Americas

Deputy Head of mission of the year

"BRIDGING THE GAP"

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*Distinguished services and resources to Diplomacy
Project achievement award 2012
Social Responsibility Award 2012
Development ambassador's Award 2012*

Sir, the purpose of this letter is to kindly let you know you have won the AFRICA DEVELOPMENT AMBASSADOR'S AWARD 2012

This is because the way you have handled Burundi's fiscal policies during this difficult global economic crisis. Your policies have been robust and aggressive to keep Burundi currency strong. This has helped reduce external vulnerability and also helped buffer the impact of the global financial crisis

- Further to inform you that this year's Diplomatic awards will be dedicated to the memory of H.E Melesi Zenawi. Prime Minister Meles was an inspirational spokesman for Africa on global issues and provided leadership and vision on African matters. Prime Minister Meles was a respected African leader. He demonstrated his strong personal commitment over many years to improving the lives of not just his own but all African peoples, through his work on African unity, climate change, development and in promoting peace and stability, particularly in the Horn of Africa. Prime Minister Zenawi will be remembered for his exceptional leadership and advocacy on African issues within and outside the continent, as well as for overseeing his country's economic growth and development. Meles Zenawi was an economic transformer; he was a strong intellectual leader for the continent. Meles Zenawi was a great leader, an intellectual, someone who was very dedicated to pan-Africanism.

In conclusion, the management of BEN TV has decided to award a Post homous award of **THE ORDER OF KILIMANJARO** to Melesi Zenawi. **The esteemed award of the Order of Kilimanjaro is an African ritual of commendation and recognition of the exceptional contribution of a chosen individual toward the advancement of the human race.**

The Order of Kilimanjaro is the highest honor to be bestowed on anyone by indigenous Africans resident in the United Kingdom.

The presentation of the Order of Kilimanjaro shall showcase the rich traditions and culture of the African Diaspora. An investiture with the Order of Kilimanjaro is comparable with the coronation of a Chieftain in certain parts of the continent of Africa. This year's elaborate and colorful ceremony shall feature rituals specially arranged by Ethiopia tradition

The investiture with the Order of Kilimanjaro shall culminate in the presentation of a staff of office, specially hand-crafted from Africa. This staff shall serve as a proud symbol of excellence and the attributes of a true human being dedicated to the dignity of humanity.

The theme of this year's event is **:NO WOMAN SHOULD DIE WHILE GIVING LIFE**

Further details will follow.

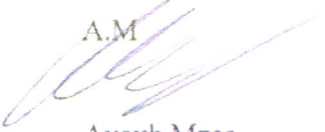
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Whilst this is expected to be a self-sponsored event, kindly note that we would welcome any sponsorship contribution you may offer to make this event successful or if you have a large contingent of guests, you may want to reserve separate table(s).

For further information: email swahilidiaries@yahoo.co.uk, newdealafrika@yahoo.co.uk

Signed.

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Notes

“As BEN TV have rightly recognised, the African, Asian and Caribbean Diplomatic community makes a very important contribution to UK society ,through their relationships ,and with the British Government , and their engagement with Diaspora communities....

The Foreign office warmly congratulates all the award winners and nominees, and will continue to work with them to strengthen relations between the UK and those nations....(Henry Bellingham –FCO -Minister)

UK is truly a great nation with great people. We celebrate H.M Queen’s Diamond Jubilee. We celebrate you and other great people like you as an inspiration to the next generation of leaders.

BEN TV is a Black and ethnic oriented ,urban , diverse and cosmopolitan Family channel ,established to provide a whole some mix of entertainment ,educative and informational programmes suitable for family viewing .It also includes a range of cultured programming to empower ,transform and challenge the conventional perception of Africa, Caribbean and African Diaspora