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Dear friends,

The 4th ISGF African Gathering will be held pretty soon now. As you know, it will take place in **Johannesburg**, South Africa, **20th-25th January 2014**.

The ISGF World Bureau sent the documents as per below to all Full and Associate Members as well as the Central Branch members:

- ✚ Invitation letter from South Africa;
- ✚ The registration form;
- ✚ The program.

With this letter, we want to give additional practical information in view of having a fruitful and successful gathering:

✚ **The ISGF mission (for reminder)**

The mission of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship is to promote the spirit of the Scout and Guide Promise and Law in its individual members' daily lives by continuing personal development, serving in the community and actively supporting the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts and the World Organisation of the Scout Movement.

To be handed out at the Gathering.

✚ **The ISGF vision 2010 (for reminder)**

ISGF will be a worldwide network visible and active in making a better world National Scout and Guide Fellowships will increase their membership and attract young Fellowship members.

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✚ **The list of African Full Members, African Associate Members, and African Central Branch members.** (Appendix 1).

✚ **The ISGF Africa Region Constitution** (Appendix 2).

✚ **Call for Election: Nomination to the African Regional Committee.**

Candidates are required to send their Curriculum Vitae along with a letter in which they will present their ISGF development strategy and orientation plan to be applied in their country but also in the ISGF Africa region.

These documents must reach the ISGF World Bureau by the **10th January 2014** at the latest.

To apply, you must speak and write well one of the two official languages of the ISGF, English or French. Also be able to work and communicate by email or skype. The annual meeting may be held on presence of members of the Regional Committee or by skype

The priority task of the Africa Region Committee will be the development of the country members. To hold the position of member of the African Region Committee is not an honorary position to put on a business card to acquire prestige with friends and other people nor a quiet and dignified retirement after a glorious Scout or Guide career.

✚ **A proxy form** for those who will not attend the gathering. (Appendix 3)

FOR THOSE WHO WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND.

The setting-up of an ISGF Africa Region, at the same level as other ISGF Regions (Europe, Arab or AsPac), will be a challenge for all of us. The ISGF World Committee and the ISGF World Bureau convey their sincere thanks to those who are already registered to the forthcoming African gathering. However, a wide audience is necessary, we call for additional participants. Since Africa is huge, some of you will not have the possibility to join South Africa... mostly due to the expensive transportation fares.

The ISGF World Committee and the ISGF World Bureau would like that each African country members may express and participate in one or other way. In this respect, in addition to the above mentioned documents, **you will find a Proxy form to be sent back the ISGF World Bureau (fax, email etc.) by return of mail.**

Please note:

- ✚ Only one proxy per NSGF is allowed
- ✚ The proxy form must be signed by the National President or International Secretary of the NSGF.

The ISGF World Committee and the ISGF World Bureau would also appreciate to receive your **comments** about the Africa Region Constitution, about the ISGF Africa Vision and about its implementation in your country, around you and in the Africa Region.

INTERNATIONAL MARKET

On Tuesday, the 2nd of January, an 'International Market' will be organised. The funds collected from the sales can be allotted to:

- ✚ Payment of your annual ISGF census fee
- ✚ Reduction to your travelling expenses
- ✚ Payment of your stay.
- ✚ Etc.

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED BY THE COUNTRIES

On Thursday, the 23rd of January, the projects carried-out by the countries will be presented. This is a moment of high importance which is an inspiration and a good experience to be shared between all the participants.

Please prepare the presentation of your projects, of your activities. Also, note that the presentation must not exceed 5 minutes; display materials (photos) will be valuable.

Even though you can not be present, please send your presentations to the ISGF World Bureau by the 10th January 2014 so that they will be displayed during the gathering.

May the theme of the 4th African regional gathering « ISGF's growth in Africa » inspire you even if you are not present. Take part actively to the gathering by forwarding your comments, suggestions, candidatures and ballot.

We look forward to meeting you in South Africa.

Yours in Friendship.



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