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The usage of the Alliance's donation for the flight tickets for your two children

Dear Ms. Mashua,

In your capacity as chairperson of the www.sponsoredgirl.com – campaign, members of the Alliance's network supported you in November 2009 with a total amount of 972 US\$ in order to help you to afford the flight tickets for your two children who should have been brought from Kenya to the United States.

You claimed that you urgently needed the money to pay the flight tickets, as your children should travel to the US in November/December of 2009. So, several members of our Alliance's network wired the above mentioned amount to support you in buying the tickets.

Then, in November 17th of 2009, you sent the following message to Ines Laufer, who operated as contact person for you to our network:

"...My kids can't come until January 2nd... Apparently, the embassy didn't get 45 notice to prepare they travel to United States..."

On January 2nd, Ines Laufer sent you the attached mail, which she also copied and forwarded to your personal Facebook-mailbox on January 3rd:

"Dear Lucy,

first I hope that you had a good start into the new year that hopefully will be full of things which you deserve.

As you wrote me November 17th, the arrival of your kids unfortunately has been delayed until January 2nd - that is today - so I hope that you really can happily take them into your arms today!

As I would like to give an update to all the people of my network who, with their financial support, played their part in making it possible for your kids to leave Kenya by donating money for the flight-tickets, I would kindly ask you to send me a confirmation that the donation has fulfilled it's purpose which I will forward to the donors.

Thank you very much and kind regards,

Ines"

In your reply, you refused to give an answer to Ines' legitimate question about how our donations have been used. Please note that we take this subject very serious. We will not accept your refusal to inform us about the correct usage of our trustfully provided donations.

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We are not willing to see the success of our important campaign endangered by any possible suspicion of betrayal against you.

We expect and strongly hope that you will take the opportunity we herewith offer you to clarify the situation completely.

In fact, you have two options:

1. You deliver us an authentic proof and confirmation that our donations have been used for the designed purpose, i.e. the flight tickets for your children.
2. If for any reason the donations have not been used for their purpose, we kindly ask you to wire the money back. In that case, you will get informed about the relevant account data in time.

Your deadline to inform us about your choice is January 14th 2010.

In case we have not heard anything from you nor received the requested information after the expiration of this term, we reserve our right to initiate legal and public measures against you.

In the meantime, we hope you understand that we have to dismiss you from your post as a chairperson of our campaign – and it depends on further developments in this matter if we will be able to return this position to you.

Furthermore, we strongly advice you to immediately stop spreading your misleading, defaming and wrong accusations and menaces against Ines Laufer or Simone Schwarz. Without being asked and with obvious vicious intention you included persons as recipients of your bashing who are outsiders of our campaign, like Linda May Kallenstein, or who are even non-supporters of it, like Tobe Levin.

Should we ever realise that this fact has led to any damage or disadvantage for our campaign, we will hold you liable!

We advice you to make sure that the concerned outside persons do not start to spread reputation-damaging rumours against members of the sponsoredgirl.com campaign or the campaign itself, nor exploit the information they unwarrantedly received for their own interests.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Yours sincerely,

For the Alliance for protection of girls from genital mutilation

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. von der Osten-Sacken".

Thomas von der Osten-Sacken

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arvid Vormann".

Arvid Vormann

Alliance for protection of girls from genital mutilation is a network of the following organizations:

Akifra e.V. · Giordano Bruno Stiftung · Human Rights Services Norway · Lobby für Menschenrechte e.V. · Stiftung Deutsches Forum Kinderzukunft · TABU e.V. · TaskForce für effektive Prävention von Genitalverstümmelung · WADI e.V.