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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
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Between
African Athletics Confederation (AAC)
&

DeKalb International Training Center (DITC)
A Program of Forging New Tomorrows, Inc. in cooperation with DeKalb County

Whereas the African Athletics Confederation (AAC) is the organization recognized by the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) to represent the Track & Field disciplines in Africa;

Whereas the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC), a program of Forging New Tomorrows, Inc. (an international non-profit organization) was established in 2002 to provide training facilities to struggling nations from Eastern Europe, Asia, Middle East, Africa, and the Americas in preparation of the Olympic Games;

Whereas the DITC will train in Track & Field disciplines past and future OLYMPIANS selected by their respective National Olympic Committees;

Whereas the DITC will provide to all participating athletes the opportunity to pursue and complete their academic studies (high school, college, graduate, etc.);

Whereas the DITC will provide educational and training mentorship opportunities to American youth and athletes of America;

Whereas the DITC will organize fundraising efforts to secure scholarships for athletes to train and further their education at the DITC and in the greater Atlanta area;



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Whereas the DITC will organize in DeKalb County (Georgia) annual sanctioned invitational competitions in track & field, swimming, cycling, soccer, and tennis for American youth from ages five to eighteen;

and **Whereas** these objectives are consistent with the Mission of the African Athletics Confederation (AAC) to promote IAAF values and the role of Track & Field athletes in sports and society in Africa and in the United States.

In view of the above, the points of cooperation between the African Athletics Confederation (AAC) and FNT shall include:

1. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) recognizes and endorses the concept and supports the goals of the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC);
2. The DITC shall support the Mission and Goals of the African Athletics Confederation (AAC).
3. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) in cooperation with the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC) shall jointly organize the AFRICA-USA Track & Field Championships to be held in Africa and in the United States every two (2) years (2005 in Abuja/Nigeria, 2007 in Atlanta/USA, 2009/Africa, 2011/USA, etc.);
4. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) in cooperation with the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC) shall jointly work on establishing a cooperation with the International Athletics Center (IAC) of Dakar (Senegal);
5. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) in cooperation with the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC) shall jointly work on the African Athletics Confederation Foundation;
6. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) in cooperation with the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC) shall jointly work with international institutions such as the World Bank, U.N. Agencies, USAID, etc. in getting their support to promote Track & Field in Africa through the establishment of a track in each of the 53 African capitals; and



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7. The African Athletics Confederation (AAC) in cooperation with the DeKalb International Training Center (DITC) shall jointly work with the World OLYMPIANS Association (WOA) in getting former Olympians to promote Track & Field and recruit future OLYPIANS

For each of the above points of cooperation a detailed Agreement shall be drawn and approved by the African Athletics Confederation (AAC) and Forging New Tomorrows, Inc. (FNT).

The DITC of FNT seeks to establish a true cooperation with the African Athletics Confederation (AAC) to promote the ideals of the IAAF, to facilitate the training of deserving athletes at the DITC and the IAC, the facilitate the establishment of at least one track per capital in Africa, and to facilitate the promotion of joint competitions venues in Africa and in the United States.


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