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HiCEP Catch the Vision Gift Certificate

Dear (recipient's name here)

A gift has been received on your behalf from

(Donor's name here)

which will be used to meet some of the expenses of a student teacher from Beled-Weyne studying at Amoud University, Boroma. Both Beled-Weyne and Boroma are in Somalia, East Africa.

With many thanks from those working in both Somalia and the UK to ensure that The English School can re-open to serve the people of Beled-Weyne. (See over for more details)

Secretary of HiCEP

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HiCEP was founded by Daud Ali. Although he lived in the UK for most of his adult life he longed to do what he could to help the people in his 'home town', Beled-Weyne, Somalia. During the 1990s he formed the Beled-Weyne Library Support Group. They established Hiran Public Library. This has now been functioning for ten years. As far as we know it is the only free public library in south central Somalia.

In September 2003 the UK support group became a registered charity, Hiran Community Education Project (HiCEP). Daud retired from his work as an Educational Psychologist in 2004. During a series of visits to Somalia he started English Proficiency Classes for adults, opened the School for youngsters, organised the acquisition of a tract of land on the outskirts of the town of Beled-Weyne and supervised the construction of purpose-built school premises there. These were substantially complete by the end of March 2008. However, Daud was never to move there with the four classes which until then had been taught in very overcrowded conditions in a rented house. The house also served as living premises for the teaching staff. In the early hours of 14 April 2008 it was attacked, the guards were over powered and Daud and the other three teachers were murdered.

Members and supporters of HiCEP refused to let that tragic event be the end of Daud's dreams of bringing good education to his people. Four people from Beled-Weyne are enrolled in the two year Teacher Training course at Amoud University, Boroma, in northern Somalia. Two of the students will graduate in 2010 when they will return to Beled-Weyne and re-open the school. Two more will be ready to join them in 2011.

Approximately £1,800 covers all fees, food, accommodation and out of pocket expenses for a student for a year of training. We hope that knowing you have received a gift which is supporting a student in this way will add greatly to the joy with which you celebrate your special occasion.

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