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***Inauguration of the Herbert Brauhardt Clinic of Durba
Monday, May 5, 2014
Addressing of Father Jean-Bertrand Madragule Badi
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Dear Commissioner of the district of Haut-Uele,

Dear Members of Parliament,

Dear Administrator of the territory of Watsa,

Dear Tribal Leaders,

Dear Prelates,

Dear ladies and gentlemen, representatives of the health, civil, military and church authorities,

Dear Sirs,

as Chairman of the NGO "Action pour le Développement et le Bien-être Social", abbreviated NGO ADEBES, I turn with this speech to you from the Federal Republic of Germany.

The ONG ADEBES is an organisation committed to the development and the social welfare.

Even though I am not personally present in Durba, I feel deeply honoured by your presence on this historic day.

I want to begin by welcoming the entire hospital staff that receives you today: Our doctor, the nursing staff as well as the technical and administration staff. I appreciate the effort you made today to celebrate together with us the inauguration of the **Herbert Brauhardt Clinic of Durba**.

Then I would like to express my warmest and most sincere thanks to all those who have made possible the building of this clinic.

The event that brings us together today deserves that we pause for a moment to look back on the travelled distance.

During my studies in Bonn, Germany, I started the project of a health centre on 5 July 2004 in Djabir in the region of Faradje. Since then we opened two additional health centres: The Lenovo Centre in 2008 and the Ingo-Dammer Centre of Avokala in 2011.

In 2007, we founded the NGO ADEBES and achieved the status of a legal person on 23 November 2007. We have made it our goal "on the one hand, to contribute to the fight against poverty, social and economic underdevelopment and on the other hand, to promote and improve the access to education and primary health care services for the Congolese population".

The story of this new clinic starts at the beginning of 2013. A friend, Herbert Brauhardt, donated the generous sum for my health projects in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. With this donation we wanted to set a mark and we opened a clinic that bears his name: **The Herbert Brauhardt Clinic of Durba**.

Ladies and gentlemen,

from now on the Brauhardt Clinic provides doctors, nursing staff as well as the technical and administration staff a new living environment. Here they give their very best and thereby attend others.

However, the clinic is also a place where all human weaknesses meet one another. In contemplation of the suffering of the people Jesus said, "*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest*" (Matthew 11:28).

It is my inner hope that our clinic is the guarantor of Christian ethics for all the oppressed, who knock on its door, and for all who work here. The doctors and all the nursing staff should, regardless of their beliefs, take account of this ethic that proves the sanctity of human life and the respect for human dignity.

In this sense, our clinic represents the three following integral values:

The first of these values is *solidarity*. The clinic is the place where life is welcomed and where everything is done to keep life.

The second value is the *sense of responsibility*. We have to feel responsible for the lives of others.

The last value on which we focus are *outstanding services*. The clinic should be the melting pot of outstanding services and the place where we create our future.

Ladies and gentlemen,

at today's inauguration of the Brauhardt Clinic of Durba we celebrate these three values: *solidarity, responsibility and outstanding services*. The opening and inauguration of the new clinic shall also enable to stride into the future, this means to start new projects.

As you can see, the three buildings in which we operate are rented. The ideal would be if our two tribal leaders, who joined us today, could give us a piece of land on which we can build a modern clinic, which is worthy of the name, for the steadily growing population of Durba.

Of course, the development of our clinic is based on the cooperation with Europe. To this end, we founded with 7 German, French and Belgian friends the association "**Kongo Social-Care e. V.**" in Germany in order to support our projects in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Ladies and gentlemen, thanks to your presence this day will go down as a historic day in the annals of the NGO ADEBES.

Thank you for your attention.

Father Badi OP



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