



Madame Josseline Fethiere – Minister of Commerce - Haiti

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To Whom it may concern:

I write this letter in commendation of the outstanding volunteer work done by members of the Eagles Wings Foundation following our catastrophic earthquake here in Haiti. Since their arrival, this small team of Pathfinder volunteers has succeeded in achieving tremendous, measurable successes. With their multi-faith based background and breadth of experience in managing disasters, this small team pulled off miracle after miracle in facing a host of diverse and ever changing challenges.

While I had heard of this team's early challenges and successes, I met Scott Lewis at one of our Prime Minister's Coordination meetings following the disaster. Soon after, Mr. Lewis and his Operations Chief met with the Prime Minister, the President, and myself, looking at ways to help the Haitian government cope with this incredible disaster.

Eagles Wings then hired almost 140 local Haitians to pass out massive amounts of bulk food to eight communities spread around Port au Prince. With local trucks, security, and labor, the Pathfinders set out to aggressively attack the massive starvation gripping our country, helping Haiti to recover. In just seven days, this small team, with its small army of Haitian workers, handed out over 385 tons of food to more than 100,000 Haitians for the equivalent of 2,260,000 meal rations from the World Food Program.

For an 8 person team to achieve so much is very impressive, under these circumstances. By focusing on using local survivors, Eagles Wings also helped restore a sense of pride. It was Haitians helping Haitians, allowing at least a portion of money being poured into the relief effort to go directly into the pockets of Haitian workers. As the Minister of Commerce, this methodology especially captured my attention. Survivors helping survivors presented a concept which I hope will be replicated more often, throughout our country.

Volunteers from The Eagles Wings Foundation provide hope for Haiti's future. With their skills and mission focus under such adverse conditions, having trained volunteers ready to deploy on a moment's notice, they stand as an exemplary model. As a Minister of Haiti, I highly recommend Eagles Wings' Pathfinder team as a way to move from the emergency room to the recovery ward, with a response concept that enables victims to become survivors, in a way which also stimulates our economic recovery.

Sincerely,


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