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Dear Mr. Monti

**RE: Italian Kenya Scouts Development Project
Proposal for Miritini Scouts Center, Mombasa**

The development of the Nyandiwa Scouts Center by the Italian Scouts has been a great success both to the Scouts and community living around the Center and to the Kenya Scouts Association.

A replication of the same in the opposite end of the country, Mombasa, is highly proposed by the Kenya Scouts Association.

We give the following reasons/justifications for this project: -

1. Throughout the year, thousands of Scouts, school children and other youth visit the Kenyan Coast on tour - to see interesting historical sites such as Fort Jesus, the old town of Mombasa, Gedi, among others and to see the sea! Most of these Scouts and other young people have to sleep in their buses, on the floor of classrooms or those who can afford in hotels. The development of Miritini Scouts Center which is less than twenty minutes drive from the Mombasa city center, to provide a secure camp with tents for the Scouts and dormitories for other youth will be a great service to the young people. The little camping fee paid by the campers shall be enough to sustainably run the center throughout the year.
2. **The location of Mombasa** - Mombasa Scouts Local Association is very active in scouting with many Scouts and Scout leaders. It is surrounded by other equally active Scouts Local Associations (districts) of Kilifi, Malindi, Taita Taveta and Kwale. The center will serve all these neighboring districts especially in trainings and camps.

Considering ease of transport from Nairobi to Mombasa, the Kenya Scouts Headquarters will also be able to visit the Center frequently and to hold some of its activities at the Center more often.

The Center will also serve foreign Scouts who will be visiting the Kenyan Coast.


3. **Community Service** - The Center borders a needy community. The biggest problem here is water. Most people buy water from vendors and is expensive and not very safe for domestic use. We propose that the development includes provision of water both to the Center and to the Community. Other Community development activities can also be initiated at the Center such as provision of adult education and vocational training. A health facility could also be a possibility later on.

The initial activities that we propose for the center are: -

- i). The fencing of the entire camp. This will ensure the security of other facilities as well as of the campers.
- ii). The renovation of existing structures and building of new ones as may be determined jointly between Kenya Scouts Association and the FB.
- iii). The planting of more trees in the camp.
- iv). The employment of a Camp Warden and support staff as need arises.
- v). The installation of source of electric power.
- vi). The provision of water through drilling of bore hole or other means.
- vii). Strengthening/establishing of adult literacy classes.
- viii). Sourcing of camping equipment such as tents.
- ix). Building of pit latrines/toilets at the camp.

The Kenya Scouts Association shall be very grateful to the Brown Sea Foundation for it's support in the above-proposed items. We shall be ready to develop and sign a joint agreement on the second phase of IKSDP following the success of the Nyandiwa Scouts Center.

Thank you



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