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RE: Selection of Life Schools for Advancement - ODW 2004

Hello ODW students!!!

It is with extreme pleasure that I submit to ODW this letter in response to the news of **Life for Relief and Development** being chosen to implement ODW's 2004 project. Our project, *Life Schools for Advancement (LSFA) – Sierra Leone* is designed to deliver long-term support to the youth and families of Sierra Leone, affectionately known as "Salone" amongst natives.

We thank you for selecting the children of Salone to reap the benefits of your hard work. You should be commended not only for becoming involved in issues affecting the world, but for taking the initiative and actually working to fund worthy projects! I want to let you know that everybody here in Sierra Leone, including the recipient villages and students, are very excited and working extremely hard to ensure a beautiful and successful 2004 ODW project.

As you know, having been afflicted with a terrible and senseless civil war, the people of Sierra Leone are in dire need but they also have great spirit. They strongly believe, as do I, that a change will come and that the current time of poverty is only temporary. This project, although not yet completed, is already helping to build hope amongst a people who have lost so much.

On behalf of Life for Relief and Development USA, Life Sierra Leone and the people of Salone, I want to say THANK YOU ODW! We know you probably have a million questions about Sierra Leone so feel free to ask away! We are here to provide any information you may need.

Sincerely,

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