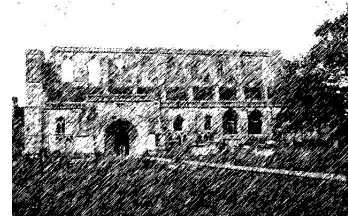


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## Press Release

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In line with our desire to be seen as good corporate citizens and invest in, and help, those less fortunate than ourselves (see our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Policy) we are pleased to announce, that following our best ever year in 2008 we are supporting a number of worthwhile causes in Africa.

The two causes we have supported this year are:

- **Camel Dairying Businesses in Northern Somalia**

Via the charity VETAID we are helping local Somali people become self sufficient by sponsoring the creation of two Camel Dairying businesses.

This involves the provision of camels, equipment, and most importantly training in the care, upkeep and husbandry of the animals, how to harvest and store the milk, and finally help with selling milk and milk products.

In this way, not only do we provide a source of food for a family, but we also provide a source of income and wellbeing, and more importantly help the local Somali become self sufficient.

This will also give an additional benefit in that it will mean that not only are the Dairy Herders children well fed and healthy, but also that they can afford to send them to school to gain an education, something that is highly prized in Africa.



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- **Water Tanks for Ugandan Schools**

Via the charity Seeds for Africa we are helping local Ugandan people become self sufficient through the provision of water tanks at two schools.

Popular perception of Africa is of a very dry continent, this is not necessarily the case as much of the continent actually has sufficient rainfall, the issue is more to do with poor infrastructure in terms of harvesting, storing and distributing the water - this is where our tanks come in.

Seeds for Africa have many sponsorship programmes educating local schoolchildren in the planting and harvesting of fruit and vegetables, through having plots and gardens at local schools. By providing rainwater harvesting and storage equipment these gardens can then flourish and help the local Ugandans become truly self sufficient.

As an added bonus, as they tanks are based at schools, they also provide a source of clean, fresh drinking water for the children.

Both of the above projects, and our donations, are made possible via our charity partner Good Gifts ([www.goodgifts.org](http://www.goodgifts.org)).

**About the Flying Monk Group:**

The Flying Monk Group is an independent specialist Purchasing & Supply Chain Consultancy based in Malmesbury, Wiltshire. Particular strengths are in Supply Chain Strategy Development and Implementation, Purchase Spend Reviews, Purchasing Process Improvement and in the area of Supply Chain Outsourcing both from a client and bidder perspective.

Particular specialisms/service offerings include:

- Development of Supply Chain Strategies
- Supply Chain Process Improvement
- Supply Chain (or other function) Outsourcing
- Procurement Process and Spend Reviews
- Project & Change Management
- Coaching, Facilitation and Training

Our experience covers a wide range of industries including Telecommunications (both fixed line & mobile), Food & Drink, Pharmaceuticals, Aerospace & Defence, Retail - Leisure, Media, Paper, Transport and the Public Sector.

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