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message from CEO bill turner

At the start of this New Year, I want to thank each and everyone one of you who contributed to our record full year production during 2007. It was an outstanding year in this company's history and congratulations are in order. We trust 2008 will be an even better year.

Dikulushi mine once again excelled when David Newton and his team produced above their design capacity. Their underground production started ramping up towards the end of last year and we wish them well as they aim to reach 900 tonnes per day early 2008.

I would like to officially welcome Manuel Hausmann, our new Operations Manager at the Kulu Mine in Kolwezi and congratulate him and his team on immediately making an impact with increased production for the fourth quarter of 2007 under some challenging circumstances.

Our new mine at Kinsevere has surprised us all with exceptional throughput of concentrate once it was commissioned in June 2007. Well done to Denham Vickers and Harry Linnevelt and their teams. We look forward to the full commissioning of the two Electric Arc Furnaces that will mark the successful end of their Stage I development. We're expecting an annual production in excess of 23,000 tonnes of "black copper" at an average grade of 93% copper.



Production of this nature should prepare Kinsevere for the successful implementation of Stage II with the construction of the 60,000 tonnes per annum SX-EW plant.

But all this would not have been possible had our exploration teams not successfully completed 87,000 metres of drilling. New resources estimates will be available in 2008.

As I did at the start of 2007, I wish you all well with the reminder that all this exploration drilling, mining, production and construction would have no lasting meaning if we did not do it safely.

Work safely and return home safely

Yours sincerely,

Bill Turner – President and Chief Executive Officer

kilongo village SEAMSTRESSES

*Benita Ngoy and
Adelle Kipampe*



It may be said that a stitch in time saves nine but in Kilongo village, those ninestitches are being multiplied into a thriving business opportunity.

Benita Ngoy and Kipampe Adelle, are two talented seamstresses from Kilongo village, next to the Kinsevere mine. In 2007 when Anvil Mining and NGO, Pact Inc. were busy with an assessment process to determine which economic activities could be stimulated in the area, they put up their hands and made it clear that they had a plan.

"We said that if given an opportunity and sewing machines, we could make a difference in our village by providing a seamstress and tailoring service," they echo when we talk to them on the porch of the house where they operate in the village.

Anvil and Pact took notice of their enthusiasm, drive and skill and provided them with two manual sewing machines, a table and chairs and enough cloth and cotton thread to last a while. Working five days a week, they are now churning out ten sets of school uniforms a day which are eagerly snapped up by the parents of local school pupils.

"We're grateful that Anvil and Pact have given us this opportunity to build on the sewing skills we had learnt from our mothers," they say. And judging by the speed of their nimble fingers and their happy smiles, we're positive that those stitches will last forever.

the bicycle

Ever since Anvil Mining started operating in the Dikulushi area back in 2002, the existence and growth of the mine has had a direct positive impact on the area. Money began circulating, benefiting many, not least the traders in the area.

Some of those traders sell bicycles and for around US\$100 you can pick up a sturdy two-wheeled steed to get you from your home to friends and family or the market, in a matter of hours.

The bicycles seen on the road between Dikulushi and nearby Kilwa, have very many and varied uses as the pictures show. And their numbers are growing daily.

Photo captions:

- 1. Giving Mum a lift to the shop
- 2. Family outing
- 3. The travelling merchant



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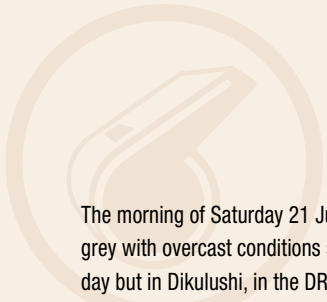
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DIY (do it yourself) – transporting building materials to the house that Jacques built





dikulushi SOCCER tournament

The morning of Saturday 21 July 2007 may have started somewhat grey with overcast conditions seemingly hiding what lay ahead on that day but in Dikulushi, in the DRC's Katanga province, the air was electric with anticipation.

In many households, the excitement was reaching fever pitch as this day would see the first of two junior soccer tournaments in the area, sponsored by Anvil Mining.

Sixteen local under-twelve soccer teams contested for trophies and medals and above all, honour, in Dikulushi. A week later, sixteen under-fourteen teams did battle in Kilwa, 60km away. The team from Musesha was crowned the top team in Dikulushi while in Kilwa, Lusekelo ruled the roost.

David Newton, Dikulushi's General Manager had this to say about the tournaments:

"We were impressed by the organizational capabilities of the local committees which saw the teams arrive on time and all the games, in both tournaments, start and finish on time.

We were also amazed at how quickly the players adapted to playing on a marked pitch with referees and linesmen. The success of these two tournaments left us in no doubt that we would like to continue with the sponsorship of the tournaments in 2008."

David also paid tribute to the Anvil staff, "I would like to thank all our Dikulushi staff for their wonderful support. A special thank you also, to John Mwamba. Without the support from all at Dikulushi, the tournaments would not have been the success that they were."

"Special thanks too, to our many suppliers who sponsored soccer kits for the teams."





TOUT kinsevere restaurant – kilongo village restaurant



The next time you're feeling a little peckish after a morning's graft on the Kinsevere mining site, consider a bite at the Tout Kinsevere restaurant. No, we're not having you on, there really is such an eatery and its name means serving the total Kinsevere area.

Way back when artisanal miners were plying their trade in the area, a group of women at Kilongo got together to provide meals for these hungry miners. When the artisanal activities stopped, the restaurant closed down.

During the assessment process in the area coordinated by Pact Inc., to determine certain workable economic activities, a request by a group of six women from the Kilongo village prompted a re-opening of the restaurant.

But this restaurant is vastly different from its forerunner. Now we see six motivated women, armed with some basic business skills and a business plan. Training was given by Pact and the restaurant has been provided with the necessary equipment such as tables and chairs, crockery and cutlery.

The Tout Kinsevere restaurant is fast making a name for itself as serving the best bukare in the district. Bukare is made from maize or cassava flour which is boiled in water. This forms a delicious thick paste and is served with fresh, locally grown vegetables and pork or chicken. Patrons sit comfortably under a cool thatch and can forget about the hustle and bustle of a busy Kinsevere mine and construction site.





Zaina Christine (left) and co-owner of the booth, Manie Kaseka

KILONGO VILLAGE mobile phone stand

We're all aware of how communication has become an integral part of our lives. Even our children now all sport the latest in cell phone technology. In some rural parts of the DRC, this need to communicate with the outside world has spawned small business opportunities. One such business is to be found in Kilongo village, Kinsevere Mine's closest neighbour.

During an assessment process to determine small and medium business opportunities, three inhabitants of the Kilongo village approached Pact Inc., to maximise social investment programmes in the area.

Ngoy Frederique and his two business partners, Manie Kaseka and Ngoy Dimuloko had an idea to operate a mobile phone service where for a fee, one could use their mobile phone to reach family, friends and businesses. With the help of Anvil Mining and Pact, this idea of a commercial mobile phone booth came to fruition during August 2007 and now runs as a thriving business between the hours of 7.00am and 8.00pm daily. Business is brisk as everyone wants to talk to everyone else.





Kakiyo with some of his safety posters

When Kakiyo Lwamba was a child, he, like most other children drew pictures. He drew pictures of people, houses, trees and motor cars but unlike other children, he did not stop.

Even when he worked as a fisherman to support his wife Tembwa and their three children he kept on drawing. And this obsession with drawing eventually landed him full-time employment with Anvil Mining at Dikulushi.

“I had drawn a picture of a bus-stop with people and got to show it to Mr. Phil Davel at the Dikulushi mine,” he tells us in English. “I did not know it at the time but the company was looking for a sign-writer to create signage for many places on the mine and in buildings.”

Phil Davel, Dikulushi’s HSE manager appointed Kakiyo as a sign-writer and according to Phil, his talent has shown superb growth. Phil also encouraged Kakiyo to learn English and gave him an English-French dictionary to improve his language skills. We can attest to his learning the language as we interviewed Kakiyo in English.

Kakiyo was instrumental in getting a mine safety campaign launched featuring a mole as a symbol of working safely on the surface as well as underground. “I have enjoyed the encouragement and opportunities given to me by Anvil Mining and feel part of the mining team here through my drawing,” he says.

kakiyo lwamba —
DIKULUSHI’S
own signwriter

