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## PRESS STATEMENT

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Africa Scout Summit, Nairobi, 16-20 April 2009

Senior Scout officials from 37 African Scout Associations are set to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Africa Scout Summit from 16 to 20 April 2009, in Nairobi at the KCB Leadership Centre in Karen. The main purpose of this summit is to review the progress of the implementation of the Ten Year Development Plan for Scouting in Africa and chart a way forward. The Summit is an opportunity for the members of the Regional Scout Committee to work in partnership with key leaders from NSOs (National Scout Organizations) to plan an appropriate agenda and prepare for the Africa Regional Conference that will take place in Botswana in September 2009. Close to 120 people are expected to participate. They include 2 officials per country, partners, executives from the World Scout Bureau (Central Office, in Geneva ), executives from the World Scout Bureau (Regional Office, in Nairobi), members of the World Scout Committee, members of the Africa Scout Committee, friends of Scouting and Officials from the Kenyan Government, including the Vice-President, Hon. Kalonzo Musyoka and the Minister for Youth and Sports, Hon. Prof. Hellen Sambili. The new Secretary General for the World Organization of the Scout Movement, Mr. Luc Panissod, will be in attendance.

### Africa Scout Region

There are currently 37 National Scout Organizations in the Africa Scout Region with 9 potential member countries. Africa Regional Office based in Nairobi oversees the activities of these national organizations. The Africa Regional Scout Committee plays the advisory role to the Africa Regional Office.

### Background

The first summit held in the Africa Scout Region took place in Mafeking, South Africa in May 2001. The purpose of this summit was to develop a Ten Year Plan for the Africa Region. This Ten Year Development Plan was subsequently adopted at the Africa Scout Conference in Gabon in 2001. The Summit brought together 42 participants from 16 countries in Africa.

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