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Subject: Urgent request for Assistance - expediting a visa appointment for Moise Katumbi

Dear Charge Young,

I hope this message finds you well. You may not remember me – we worked together in the past when I was on the 7th floor working on Sudan issues.

I left State recently and am now working for Brownstein as a Policy Director, together with Ed Royce, former Chairman of HFAC. Ed and I are working with Moises Katumbi, the former governor from the DRC and someone whom I believe you know. I am writing to you on Mr. Katumbi's behalf – he recently submitted his visa application for a B1/B2 to travel to the United States the dates of November 1-19, as he has some urgent meetings in Washington DC. We, working with colleagues at King and Spalding, have secured for him meetings with members on the Hill and we are working on meetings with the Administration, to include NSC, State, Department of Defense, and a few other agencies. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss the recent issues in the DRC surrounding the violence against the church and threat to democracy. Mr. Katumbi will also be working with the U.S. government on issues related to critical minerals and supply chains in the DRC and the region. Mr. Katumbi will also be traveling to New York for meetings with the private sector, as well as with officials at the United Nations. As a former DRC leader and one who is trusted by both Congress and members of the Administration, his participation in these meetings is vital to advance U.S. national security interests in Africa.

I have attached an official invitation letter, for your records. Mr. Katumbi will also have this letter for his visa appointment, as well as the other necessary documents, including his previous U.S. visa.

We sincerely appreciate any assistance you and your Mission can provide in expediting the visa appointment for Mr. Katumbi. I spoke with Consular Affairs and EB, who advised that the best procedure was to secure a visa appointment and then work with post to expedite it. Mr. Katumbi is resident in Zambia and can accommodate an appointment at any time your Embassy can provide, with the exception of Monday, October 25.

Thank you for your consideration. Please to not hesitate to contact me or my colleague at King and Spalding.

Best regards
Samantha

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The Honorable David J. Young
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U.S. Embassy Lusaka
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Dear Sir:

We represent the Honorable Moise Katumbi Chapwe in the United States and require his presence in Washington, D.C. from November 1 through November 19, 2021 for in-person meetings with Members of Congress and staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and House Foreign Affairs Committee, as well as with officials in the Biden Administration. Discussion topics include human rights, election integrity in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the critical minerals production and supply chain, among other matters important to national interest of the United States.

As you may be aware, Gov. Katumbi brings a vast reservoir of both private and public sector experience that is unmatched in the Great Lakes region of Africa. It is important that he be present in Washington for these high-level meetings with the U.S. Congress and Biden Administration. Mr. Katumbi submitted his visa application on October 17, 2021 online via the Embassy's online portal and has a confirmed visa appointment for November 4. As his meetings in Washington are set to begin starting November 1st, we appreciate your assistance in expediting his visa appointment to ensure he will be able to travel to the United States in time for his meetings with the Administration and with Members of Congress.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



J.C. Boggs
Partner