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Mr. Vern Wesley Strickland
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Dear Mr. Strickland,

Thank you for your recent letter explaining the reasons for your support of our Maternal and Child Health Programme in Sierra Leone. I have reviewed the list of drugs that you purchased and those graciously donated into support of your effort done in collaboration with our own Professor Aiah A. Gbakima, the Vice Chancellor and Principal of the University of Sierra Leone in association with our Doctors, Medical students and Nursing Students.

We wish to welcome you to Sierra Leone and we sincerely hope that you will reach as many people as possible in your exercise in the eastern part of the Country. We note that you will be bringing many other supplies to help our population in need. We want to send a "Special thank you to the Government of Canada" for donating 10 Physician Travel Packs, with a total value of \$53,223.05 CAD. Please express our profound gratitude for this donation.

We want to also thank you and all who participated in the fund raising activities for the purchase of Malaria kits, diuretic (hydrochlorothiazide) for high blood pressure, ACT for Malaria treatment, antibiotics (azithromycine), albendazole and praziquantel for the treatment of parasitic diseases, vitamins for prenatal and children, dermatologic creams and aspirin. We certainly hope that this noble effort will continue on a sustained basis.

Thanks again very much.
Sincerely,


Soccoh Alex Kabia,
Minister of Health and Sanitation
CC: Professor Aiah A. Gbakima,