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Mr. Lucien Dat
Intervention Team

Dear Lucien,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your help and great efforts in Wadi Idim flooding disaster in October 2008. During the initial days of the catastrophe, your personal achievements were remarkable.

We specifically thank you for the long reconnaissance trek that you led in precarious conditions on 25 October through the Wadi Idim villages up to Sah. This bold raid has notably allowed establishing contact with Sheikh Bin Awad Bin Munif, to assess the magnitude of the disaster and to define more precisely the needs of the population.

On behalf of TOTAL, I would like you to know that we value outstanding performance both on average days as well as in time of crisis. I thank you again for your compassion and courage in handling this crisis.

Keep up the great work!

Yours thankfully,



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