

ALGERIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON

Washington December 3, 2008

Mrs. Ferchichi Salima
Rochester,
Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Ferchichi,

The delay in answering your electronic letter dated October 24, 2008 is largely due to the lengthy process we had to go through with our lawyer and the IRS to ensure a legal handling of the funds outstanding in the Mounib account.

As you may know, AAAGW is a 501 (C) (3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code and as such the IRS requires that it complies with federal tax law to maintain its tax-exempt status and avoid penalties. As part of this compliance, AAAGW is prohibited from allowing an insubstantial accrual of private benefit to individuals or organizations. In other words, AAAGW is prohibited from making direct transfers of funds to individuals; however the resources collected can be used to pay for justified expenses related to the object of the fund raising.

In this context, AAAGW is ready to use the funds available in the Mounib account to cover medical and living expenses of Mounib and yourself until the funds in the account are depleted. However, to be in line with the IRS regulations, all expenses must be recorded and backed by appropriate documentation. For some type of expenses that require upfront cash payments, AAAGW is ready to envisage cash advances that need to be justified at a later stage by adequate documentation.

In the case of food for example, AAAGW is planning to provide you and Mounib with a monthly allowance in the vicinity of \$500. We have asked Dr. Stambouli to check the standard subsistence allowance in the Rochester area. Upward adjustments will be made should the local standard allowances exceed the amount AAAGW has committed to provide you.

Other expenses expected to be covered by the Mounib Fund also include payment of your rent, should you have to find lodging on your own. The provision of a lease agreement will facilitate payment of the rent on a regular basis. Should you need help for the rental deposit, AAAGW is ready to provide the necessary backing to your landlord.

Regards medical expenses and purchases of medicines, AAAGW will cover them too. To facilitate these transactions in the future, we have asked Dr. Stambouli to check the possibility of making pre-payments for these expenses to specialized designated accounts open at medical and pharmaceutical facilities.

Lastly, AAAGW remains available at any time to buy plane tickets for you and Mounib should you decide to return to Algeria.

In the meantime, AAAGW will inform the community that it will officially close the fundraising drive it conducted for Mounib since early May 2008 and that any future donation should be directed to the new Mounib account you provided. AAAGW has not received any donations since August 2008.

AAAGW remains available for any clarification or additional information you may need.

Best wishes for Mounib.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bessaha', written in a cursive style.

Abdelrani Bessaha
President
AAAGW