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Former NBA All-Star Dikembe Mutombo to Make an Appearance in Support Liberian Mothers

(Rockville, MD – August 21, 2010) Dikember Mutombo, former NBA champion, will deliver the Keynote Speech for The Gbomai Bestman Foundation, Platinum Health Benefit Dinner on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at the Manor Country Club 14901 Carrollton Road, Rockville MD 20853, at 7:00 p.m.

The Platinum Health Benefit is the first fundraising event for the charitable organization. The day will begin with a Professional Tennis Match from 12 noon to 1:30 pm, the Dinner from to 11:00 pm, followed by an After Party at Tuscana West 1350 Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005, from 11:30 pm to 2:00 am.

Mutombo's professional career enabled him to use his celebrity and earnings to do humanitarian work in his native country the Democratic Republic of Congo. In 1997 he founded the Dikembe Mutombo Foundation to support the building of a \$29 million, 300 bed hospital in his village, outside of the Congolese capital of Kinshasa. The hospital was named Biamba Marie Mutombo Hospital, in memory of his late mother, who died of a stroke that same year.

Mr. Mutombo will be joined by Leymah Gbowee, Harvard University's Blue Ribbon Peace Award and Profiles in Courage Award winner as a Keynote Speaker. Other special guests attending the Gbomai Bestman Foundation benefit include: football (soccer) great George Weah, M. Nathaniel Barnes, Liberian Ambassador to the United States, Marjon Kamara, Liberia's Permanent Representative to the U.S., actor Hassan Johnson, and Fashion Designer Tsyndyma Kroujilov who will show her latest collection.

The Gbomai Bestman Foundation Inc. is dedicated to improving the health and well being of mothers and children in rural areas of Liberia and West Africa by improving clinical services for pre and postnatal care, nutrition, child healthcare, family planning, and health education.

General admission to the Gbomai Bestman Foundation Platinum Health Benefit is \$65.00. VIP and sponsorship packages are also available. Please visit the event website at: <http://www.gbomaibestmanfoundation.org/>.

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