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GLOBAL STONE PROJECT

Wolfgang Kraker von Schwarzenfeld

I am impressed by Wolfgang von Schwarzenfeld's vision of symbolically reflecting the interdependence of the continents and the imperative of our peaceful coexistence as human beings through the placing of natural stones in public places. I am thrilled that he has nominated the stone to represent Africa as "HOPE" and has identified South Africa and Cape Town in particular as a suitable site.

This says much about the history of our country and our aspirations for ourselves as Africans. The stone that will be placed in the Company Gardens in Cape Town will be a reminder of our responsibility to aspire to live as a people of hope and to be an example to fellow Africans north of us, many of whom so desperately need to keep hope alive.

The five stones that will be placed in a prominent place in Berlin will link the continents together as a celebration of our interconnectedness and diversity. We are bound together as children of God, sisters and brothers, members of one family, the human family created to share together and care for each other and to live in love and peace to God's glory.

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