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Collection Rau for UNICEF

Successful interim result of sales

Long-termin support for programmes in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi, Eritrea and Namibia

Prior to the auctions to be implemented in autumn, the German National Committee for UNICEF has drawn up a successful interim result of the sales so far. Between May and July 2013 128 paintings and sculptures were on offer at six auctions at Sotheby's in London and Lempertz in Cologne/Germany. So far, 92 pieces of art have been sold. In total, the proceeds of the sales amounted to approximately 43 million euros which will be allocated to the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF. Two paintings were sold independently of the auctions, each at prices above the world record prices obtained for the individual artist. In collaboration with the Dr. Rau Foundation, Zurich, the proceeds of the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF will be allocated to long-term programmes, particularly to the hospital founded by Dr. Gustav Rau as well as four additional programmes in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Namibia and Burundi.

Recent auctions have generated very good results, particularly paintings by El Greco (9,439,000 euros) and Monet (6,442,000 euros) and an ivory triptych from the 14th century (2,802,000 euros). All objects of the Collection Rau for UNICEF are showcased on the internet: www.collection-rau-for-unicef.de. In 2008 when the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF obtained the certificate of inheritance it was expected that approximately 119 million euros would be available after deducting all liabilities, legal costs and expenses on maintaining the art collection (insurance, storage and maintenance). After the first successful sales it turned out that this sum will be considerably exceeded. As soon as all planned sales in 2013 will have been finalized the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF will provide the public with detailed information on revenue and expenditure.

There will be additional auctions of a total of 389 art objects at the following auction houses (all costs related to the auctions will entirely be borne by the auction houses as done so in the past):

24 September 2013 – Sotheby's, London: Collections Sale
20 November 2013 – Sotheby's, London: 19th Century European Paintings Sale
15 and 16 November 2013 – Kunsthaus Lempertz, Cologne: Rau Collection for UNICEF II
5 December 2013 – Bonhams, London: Rau UNICEF Sale

More than 300,000 visitors saw the Collection Rau for UNICEF at Arp Museum

According to Dr. Rau's bequest selected paintings and sculptures will be on public exhibit until 2016. This part of the bequest is being fulfilled with "Kunstkammer Rau" ("Art Chamber Rau") at Arp Museum Bahnhof Rolandseck in Remagen near Bonn, Germany. More than 300,000

visitors have

already seen the art objects of Dr. Rau displayed at exhibitions from changing perspectives. All art objects of the collection – approximately 250 paintings and sculptures – currently not for sale were brought together at Arp Museum. Loans to the Getty Museum in Los Angeles or to Musée d'Orsay in Paris, for example, made it possible that millions of people saw the art objects.

Long-term funding of Dr. Rau's hospital

In 2011 the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF and the Dr. Rau Foundation from Zurich – the legally recognized successor of all foundations Dr. Rau established in Switzerland in the past - concluded an agreement which confirmed the ownership of the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF. So far, since 2009, the Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF and the Swiss based Dr. Rau Foundation have supported the hospital established by Dr. Rau in Ciriri, Democratic Republic of Congo with more than one million euros which stem from Dr. Rau's estate. Today, the catchment area of the hospital - including 34 health centres in the environs - covers the whole southern Kivu region. It is run by the archdiocese of Bukavu and administered by Caritas International. Approximately 215,000 people live in the catchment area of the 130-bed hospital. Every year, 8,500 people are being treated ambulatory. Since the hospital was established a nutrition programme for malnourished children has been set up. The Foundation of the German National Committee for UNICEF and the Dr. Rau Foundation, Zurich, supported the construction of a new obstetrics unit. Additional treatment rooms and a room for patients as well as facilities for their relatives were set up. In the next ten years it is planned to extend the hospital buildings and to train staff. Furthermore, an ambulance will be purchased and it is planned to continuously improve the hospital's medical equipment. In order to foster the hospital from 2013-2020 an amount of approximately 4.1 million US dollar (3.1 million euros) will be dedicated in coordination with the local project managers.

Additional programmes in four African countries

In collaboration with the Dr. Rau Foundation, Zurich, four additional programmes in four African countries will be supported with a total of approximately seven million euros:

- **Democratic Republic of Congo:** Healthy villages, healthy schools. In four Eastern provinces of the country teachers and community health workers will be trained in order to improve the hygienic conditions in villages and schools.
- Eritrea: A good start in life. With this programme it is intended to improve the medical
 care of future mothers and new-borns in ten particularly poor and remote areas of the
 country. It is planned to extend ten health centres and to train nurses and community
 health workers.
- Namibia: Prevention of HIV/AIDS. UNICEF strengthens awareness raising programmes for adolescents. HIV-tests will be provided and infected girls and boys receive access to psychological and medical care.
- **Burundi:** Ensuring survival for newborns. UNICEF helps to refurbish 20 health centres and six obstetric wards. 200 midwives and nurses and more than 230 community health workers will be trained in order to improve healthcare in rural areas.

All objects of the Rau Collection for UNICEF are showcased on the internet: www.collection-rau-for-unicef.de

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