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DRC PGA Member Hon. Sabine Bintu, elected MP from Walikale, North Kivu, distinguished with a certificate of honor by the United Nations Association of the Democratic Republic of Congo (UNA-DRC)

Kinshasa/New York, April 4, 2011: It is with great pleasure that Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) welcomes this award which Hon. Sabine Bintu, MP, has received on March 30, 2011, for her long-standing and tireless work in the in the socio-economic and political sector in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

In October 2009, Hon. Sabine Bintu has founded the Foundation Muhima Bintu Sabine (FOMUBISA), which aims to address the widespread human rights abuses in the Walikale Territory (North-Kivu) and to support victims of violence, sexual abuse and rapes, mostly women and children. FOMUBISA is taking action to support rehabilitation and reintegration of women and girls who are victims of all forms of violence, rapes, sexual abuse as well as infections by AIDS/Sida through the promotion of microfinance and co-operatives with the objective to create employment in the field of agriculture, fishing and breeding, among others.

PGA congratulates Hon. Bintu for this well-deserved award and commends her for her dedicated work as an elected deputy in the National Assembly and for her commitment to support the vulnerable population of the Walikale territory, in particular women, to regain their dignity through sustained and concrete actions.

Hon. Bintu is part of a group of more than 70 members of Parliament in the DRC, which militates as one of PGA's most active national groups, for the promotion of peace, democracy and the rule of law in the DRC. The group actively engages in favor of the adoption of a comprehensive implementing legislation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, which was tabled in 2008 by two PGA members. With the support of the Congolese Parliament, PGA organized two conferences in March and December 2009 at the Palais du Peuple in Kinshasa (www.pgaction.org/Kinshasa2009.html). In early October 2010, a parliamentary delegation from the DRC visited the International Criminal Court in The Hague.

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