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### CAMEROON 2010 DELEGATION HEADED FOR BUFFALO CITY

The City is delighted to be welcoming a high level delegation from Cameroon to our shores from Tuesday 05 – 07 January.

The delegation will arrive to a colourful welcoming by the local Cameroon society at the East London Airport at 16h40 on Tuesday.

This is a follow up visit from the recent one led by BCM Executive Mayor, Councillor Zukisa Faku, to Cameroon to lobby the Cameroon National Team, the Indomitable Lions, to consider East London as a Team Base Camp and Training Venue for the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

The Cameroon Minister of Sport & Physical Education, Michel Zoah, has nominated a delegation to visit East London to assess the City and its viability for the above purpose.

The Cameroon Delegation is made up of

1. Mr David Mayebi: First Vice-President of the Cameroon Football Association
2. Mr Gabriel Aldouce Djan: Director of General Affairs, Ministry of Sport & Physical Education
3. Barrister Andre Duclear Mangoua: Legal Adviser to the Minister of Sport & Physical Education
4. Mr Cyprian Fondufe Wongibe: Technical Adviser

The purpose of the visit is to follow-up on the lobbying presentations made by Buffalo City Municipality in Cameroon to now get "a hands-on" feel of the City of East London, and specifically the proposed 2010 World Cup Venues for Team Base Camp and Training Venues.

"This visit is another very significant step forward in the 2010 lobbying for Cameroon," says Vuyo Zambodla, BCM Director Executive Support Services.

"We are not home and dry yet, now is the time to consolidate years of effort by convincing the Cameroon government and football association that East London is the place to be in 2010".

If this visit is successful in all probability there will be another follow-up visit.

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