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Rt. Hon. Rebecca Kadaga
Speaker Parliament of Uganda
P.O Box 7178,
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Dear Rt. Hon. Kadaga

October 11th, 2011

BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION ALLEGATIONS LEVELLED AGAINST TULLOW

Our attention has been drawn to the devastating bribery and corruption allegations levelled against our company and some of its employees during a special session of Parliament held yesterday Monday October 10th, 2011 which we would like to categorically refute as baseless and untrue.

These allegations made against Tullow and its officials in Parliament yesterday are not new. They first surfaced mid last year. They refer to an already investigated and resolved sequence of events that occurred in July 2010 following an aggressive attempt to discredit Tullow Oil by unknown parties seeking to benefit from the situation at the time. At that time, it was suggested that Tullow Oil had made payments towards certain government officials to influence decisions in its favour which we unequivocally deny and following a series of internal and external investigations, has since proved beyond doubt that the claims made against our company were a result of falsified and unsubstantiated documentation.

Tullow Oil totally rejects the outrageous and wholly defamatory accusations of corruption and bribery and will consider all legal avenues to defend itself and protect its reputation and that of its employees if these slanderous comments are repeated or made outside Parliament.

As a commercial company listed on leading stock exchanges around the world, Tullow has a zero tolerance approach to bribery and corruption which is entrenched in our Code of Business Conduct which is in itself incorporated into all of our contracts of employment for staff and in all of our contracts with contractors.

We operate to the highest ethical international standards and will not as a corporate citizen encourage any sort of corruption within Tullow.

Rt. Hon. Speaker, as you may probably be aware, there is a new Bribery Act about to come into force in the UK making it an offence for British persons and companies and anyone working for British companies anywhere in the world who commit acts of bribery.

Tullow has made considerable investments in Uganda in excess of \$ 1 Billion to date with an impeccable environmental track record throughout our operations in the Albertine Graben. Working with our stakeholders the company has helped in the discovery of an oil resource in excess of 1,5 billion barrels with more yet to be found. This level of investment is unprecedented not only in Uganda, but in sub-saharan Africa.

Together with our prospective partners –CNOOC and Total we plan not only to maintain this level of investment but to accelerate it to turn the discovered resource into revenue and direct benefits for the people of Uganda.

We together with our staff and prospective partners remain committed to investing and participating in unlocking Uganda's Oil and Gas potential and thus place Uganda on the world map as an Oil & Gas producing nation.

We are hopeful that working with Parliament and other industry stakeholders we shall help create a climate necessary for this nascent industry to thrive and prosper,

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Eoin Mekie

General Manager & Director
Tullow Uganda Operations Pty Limited.

CC: Minister of Energy and Mineral Development
Minister of Finance & Economic Planning
Prime Minister of Uganda / Leader of Government Business