

MORAL REPORT

A lot of water has flowed under the bridges since our last A G. An unusual interval must have been observed.

The Covid-19 cut has stretched our ties, added confusion, worry and complexity that no one could have foreseen.

So this GA was a great opportunity to get together even, in still precarious conditions, to rediscover a taste for the collective, to share our feelings, to analyze our action and tirelessly optimistic to think about the future of AQAFI.

At last, it was without taking into account the relentlessness of the virus to rot our lives. It is therefore in the constraint and bitterness that we gave up holding our EGMs and AGOs « live ».

If we need to exchange, it is because the future of AQAFI concerns us. It is the success of the missions we carry out and it is the achievement of the objectives set in our statutes that motivate us. However, without pessimism or excessive optimism we must question the sustainability of our Association.

It is very well managed, with rigor and prudence, we can give Alioune SY discharge for the seriousness and efficiency with which he acts. We are leading a large number of projects in line with our purpose, a sign of dynamism and our desire to move forward. forward but our fragility is real and is due to factors that should be well analyzed :

- *our size, our assets, our limits*

- *the choice of our development*

Our size, our assets, our limits

AQAFI is an Association of the TPE type, the director - founder is the only permanent full-time and must play on many combinations to get to master all the daily tasks. It is mainly with the contribution of university or other interns to whom he entrusts certain tasks that he manages to tie up certain files: report, communication, logistics, in the best case drafting of projects.

It's heavy, often acrobatic compared to the deadlines set by our donors or supervisors.

To date, he has succeeded in this organizational tour de force, but we are aware of the fragility of our organization and the chance to be able to count on its solidity, both moral and physical.

Alioune for his part evokes the problem of volunteering and the role of our interns. It is a precious and indispensable help. We have been able to measure it on certain operations (Canéjan for example - the distribution of foodstuffs to students) If it is decisive, for tasks that do not imply a permanent and regular activity (cash for example) it cannot meet administrative needs and techniques of an association of services and project development.

The same goes for our Board of Directors whose members are mobilized and can be mobilized according to their availability.

Our mission in Mauritania, perfectly organized, in all respects by Alioune, would not have been as successful without the action of our permanent « ambassador » Mamadou Kouma. The qualities and networks in which directors are personally involved are precious to us.

We must continue to expand our representativeness and remain united.

Our development

If we want to live, survive and develop we must strongly affirm the choices of our strategy. Developing is a natural necessity, any organism that does not progress will eventually disappear. It must both adapt to changes in its environment but it must also pay the price for its dynamism on pain of regressing.

These are only trivial observations.

While AQAFI plays a significant social role, we will never compete with the social works of the University, the CROUS or the Communities that help students...

We have fully held our place at the time of the food shortage for underprivileged students, we continue our role of interface between students and the organizations at their service, but we can do no better, no more and even less increase our budget on this ground. We are totally dependent on the subsidies that are allocated to us.

One of the strong axes of our goal is the part that we take in the citizen and intellectual debate on discrimination. « The Printemps de la Diversité » is a great program, a highlight in our life, but it costs us almost as much as it brings us back. What then remains for us as a prospect if not towards what will give us a more solid foundation.

The extension of one of our sectors of activity : decentralized cooperation, seems the safest way to provide us with the human resources that are necessary for our development.

Alioune had largely started this path, my commitment and my personal tastes could only encourage him and help him to move forward.

The development strategy which can bring us to a good economic and social base passes these Cooperation projects which are at no time contradictory with our object.

Helping social economy organizations, local NGOs, cooperating with educational structures, is participating in the recognition of endogenous skills, it is helping populations wherever they are to free themselves from traditional patterns of colonization, neo-colonization (which might be worse!) and the repressive archaism of certain governments, it is to respect the cultural specificities and the citizens' wishes who want to see their country, their region, their village leave the misery, disease and often obscurantism. Finally by ensuring the link between migrants, integrated (more or less) and their places of origin, cooperation as we wish it must be able to help better local benefits and benefit from the solidarity of those who enjoy a certain social status in their host country. It is fortunate that those who have succeeded do not forget theirs. In this vein, it was natural that Alioune started his biggest operation with Mauritania. Its approach is coherent and has proven to be exemplary in view of the success of the project.

This noble ambition pleads in favor of substantial projects, therefore mobilizing significant funds and skills that set us apart from the legion of projects that are more charitable than development, which are certainly nice and useful but which are more a matter of assistantship than of a real desire for positive development. Moreover, the notoriety of AQAFI in our movement, in France, in Europe and in Africa reinforces our strategy. AQAFI is solicited by many organizations for large- scale projects. This is our path.

Illustration of our strategy and extension

I will illustrate this vision of Cooperation by the choice we made, with the approval of the previous A G, towards Togo. We are about to finalize a project the size of the one in Mauritania and to help a young 2A2D association to structure itself.

A close friend, Jean Philippe Lafon agreed to take the presidency and asked Alioune and AQAFI to mentor him.

For AQAFI, it is a great pride to have served as an example, to be asked as a sponsor and partner.

Last point relating to our EGM, not wishing to remain « confined » to either Mauritania or Togo, we are always looking for an opportunity in Latin America where so many African communities live, hence our modification of the statutes.

Conclusion

If you agree with our strategy's different axes on the matter of our development, and, if this report is approved especially thanks to Alioune's impressive report of activities, we will be able to hire a highly qualified CA to move forward and keep enhancing the actions of this association that our founder has been caring on his shoulders ever since. AQAFI's influence is also due to the many partnerships forged by Alioune with our movement where he sits as co-opted or as elected (a list of this network will be appended to our reports).

In the hope of a good unanimity, of a broad consensus which does not prevent either the discussion or the enrichment of the proposals, especially in the expectation of a return to a normal life, I wish long life to AQAFI and to his members. Good life for diversity, cooperation, solidarity.

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