

Prince Michael International Road Safety
Award Ceremony
Kilimanjaro Kempinski Hotel, Dar-es-Salaam 8th July, 2009

Award Citation by Adrian Walsh (Master of Ceremonies)

Each year since 1987 His Royal Highness Prince Michael of Kent has made a small number of personal awards in recognition of outstanding achievement and innovation in road safety. In recognition of the global importance of our work he instituted his international award scheme in 2001.

Prince Michael is here tonight to present the awards himself.....PAUSE

We all acknowledge the importance of the work of NGOs both large and small in the field of education and of advocacy.

In October 2007 Chariots of Destiny from Kenya took up the challenge to spearhead the Make Roads Safe campaign in East Africa with outstanding success - achieving excellent media publicity, and encouraging over 10 thousand people to sign a petition which formed part of the 1 million petitions collected from various countries around the world and were delivered to the UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon at the UN headquarters in New York, U.S.A.

Chariots of Destiny was founded in 2007 by Casey Marengé a road crash victim injured when only twenty and left paralyzed from her shoulders down.

Casey now works within the rapidly expanding network of NGOs across the world. She was a panel speaker at the WHO Global Conference for NGOs Advocating for Road Safety held recently in Brussels, Belgium. She was also in New York when the UN General Assembly issued its declaration at the historic debate on road safety held in March, 2008. The UN General Assembly GA Resolution was a catalyst for action – it called for increased international cooperation in road safety and increased awareness within its own institutions.

Earlier on today Casey was among the panellists who discussed the subject “Moscow and beyond - building sustainable inter-sectoral support for roads safety in Africa” and she is here tonight to receive her commendation certificate from The Prince.....PAUSE