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CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED AFRICA ROYAL ASSEMBLY, HIS IMPERIAL HIGHNESS, PRINCE ESTIFANOS MATEWOS, TO THE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FÉLIX TSHISEKEDI

The President of the United Africa Royal Assembly, His Imperial Highness, Prince Estifanos Matewos, extends his heartfelt congratulations to His Excellency, President Félix Tshisekedi, upon his re-election as the President-elect of the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Since independence, the DRC government has recognized traditional kings, chiefs, and leaders as the epitome of tribal and cultural leadership and development. We applaud His Excellency for upholding the Constitution by continuing to support the institution of traditional leadership and promoting the preservation of culture and traditions throughout his first term. We thus implore the People of DRC to immediately shift attention from the election whose outcome has been validated by the Constitutional Court, to focus on security, peace-building, and stability which is critical for socio-economic development and especially the improvement of the lives of people in chiefdoms across this wealthiest African nation.

The United Africa Royal Assembly looks forward to the continued much-needed support for traditional leadership institutions towards unity, sustainable development, and restoration of the dignity of African people. We offer you our wholehearted support in your second term and hope for your success.

**HIH PRINCE ESTIFANOS MATEWOS
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED AFRICA ROYAL ASSEMBLY**
