

# press release

## StanChart 'Road to Anfield' tournament all set for Saturday

### 13th March, 2015 - Lusaka, Zambia:

The Standard Chartered 'Road to Anfield' five-a-side soccer tournament is all set for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at the Nasdec Sports Complex in Lusaka. 'Road to Anfield' is hinged on the Bank's global sponsorship of Liverpool Football Club (LFC). This is the first time that Zambia is taking part in the Standard Chartered Trophy.

Twenty teams will battle it out for a chance to play at the global Standard Chartered Trophy event at Anfield – the home of Liverpool Football Club in the UK – in May. Teams from BUK, CAMCO, Zambeef, World Vision, African Life Assurance and Ace Global are all set to participate, as well as StanChart staff teams. From the media, the Daily Mail, Times, Post and ZNBC, amongst others, are also set to take part. In addition, two community teams from Matero will participate, including one all-ladies team.

Road to Anfield is an international 5-a-side football tournament that lasts 8 minutes. The tournament provides local markets with a platform from which to actively engage football fans and also help them donate to charity in order to develop football.

The Southern Africa Regional 'Road to Anfield' Tournament will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2015 where the winning teams from Zimbabwe, Zambia and Botswana will battle it out to represent Southern Africa at the global Standard Chartered Trophy tournament in Anfield, where 10 teams from across the Standard Chartered Group will tussle it out to win the ultimate prize - Standard Chartered Trophy Champions.

Chief Executive Officer of Standard Chartered Bank Zambia, Andrew Okai, said given that Liverpool FC is one of the world's best known football clubs, Standard Chartered is proud to bring this tournament to Zambia for the first time ever.

"We are proud that the bank's sponsorship of LFC will have a direct positive impact in Zambia. I wish all the teams and players the very best," said Mr. Okai.

Last year, Standard Chartered hosted LFC legend, John Barnes, OBE who conducted a soccer clinic for youth soccer teams from Matero and Chunga, as part of the LFC sponsorship.



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#### **Note to Editors:**

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