

PRESS STATEMENT

German Parliamentarians visit *Wings to Fly* beneficiary in Nairobi



Equity Group MD & CEO Dr James Mwangi (2ND left) with German Parliamentarians and Wings to Fly beneficiary Jalddin (in green sweater) outside his home

Nairobi, 6th August 2019...A group of German parliamentarians recently paid a courtesy visit to one of the *Wings to Fly* beneficiaries at Korogocho Informal Settlement. The team, which is part of the Parliamentary Committee for Education, Research and Technology, was in the country to visit German Government funded projects, of which the *Wings to Fly* program is part of.

In addition, they came to Kenya to get insights into the Kenyan technology sector for purposes of bilateral exchange of ideas as a starting point for further cooperation.

The student, Jalddin Mohamed Issack, is part of the *Wings to Fly* beneficiaries from the area who have received support through Equity Bank Kariobangi Branch. The German Government, through KfW has supported some of the scholars through High School providing for their tuition, uniform, books, shopping and pocket money for the 4 years.

During the visit, the delegation was hosted by Jalddin Mohamed Issack's family in Korogocho. He is a Form Three student at UpperHill School in Nairobi. One of his eldest sisters is enrolled in a TVET College and is being sponsored by well-wishers, while two other siblings do casual jobs in the neighbourhood to support the family.

The leader of the German delegation, Dr. Stefan Kaufmann congratulated *Wings to Fly* scholars and wished them the best in their academics and in support of their families. "Equity Group Foundation is running a good program. We are very impressed to see the bright people who will secure the future of Kenya," he said.

The *Wings to Fly* program has so far benefitted 16, 168 students.

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