



**Remarks by  
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**Income Generating Project Inauguration: *GIE Tambadjiro* Oulampane (Ziguinchor)  
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*(As prepared)*

Asalamu Alekum!

Mr. Sub-prefect of Sindian,

Mr. the Oulampane Village Chief,

Mr. President of Tambajiro Local Association,

Mrs. President of the Women's Community Management Committee (CMC) of Oulampane:

Greetings to the Oulampane population.

Thank you very much for the warm welcome. I am delighted to be here today to visit the community of Oulampane and inaugurate this beekeeping project. I would like to acknowledge Ambassador Mark Boulware. He, along with other colleagues from the U.S. Embassy, have joined me at this event.

The U.S. Government aims to enable economic autonomy and social well-being by providing funding to small community-based projects. We have been working for many years with community groups in the Casamance. This work supports the construction of schools and helps community groups develop new income generating activities.

We are pleased to partner with the Women's Association of Oulampane, *GIE Tambajiro*, to support this beekeeping/honey project. The U.S. government financed the purchase of bee hives, gloves, boots, protective clothes, bowls and bottles to support beekeeping activities. *GIE Tambajiro* contributed the initiative and hard work that brought this project to fruition. This project that can provide a lasting source of revenue that will benefit members and the entire community.

The U.S. Government is supporting efforts of the people of the Casamance and the Government of Senegal to bring peace, stability and economic prosperity to this region in several ways. Through the Millennium Challenge Compact and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, we are rehabilitating road infrastructure. Through other projects, our government is helping farmers to increase production and market their goods. We are helping to support agriculture and improve access to education and healthcare through the work of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

I would like to congratulate the women's association "GIE Tambajiro" of Oulampane for their initiative and hard work in preparing and implementing this project. I wish you great success in sustaining this project and continuing your efforts to advance this community.

Albaraka! Katorial!