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Dear Lars,

Heartfelt thanks for being part of ARK's 10th Anniversary Gala Dinner. Your commitment to ARK is invaluable and hugely important to us. Thank you for being a part of the ARK family.

Together we raised £17.2 million on 9th June, an outstanding amount. This would not have been possible without your generosity and I wanted to thank you personally for your participation in the luxury draw.

Your enormous generosity and engagement means a great deal to all of the Trustees at ARK, to ARK's staff and to our partners. You enable us to aim high in our ambition to deliver quality programmes around the world which truly transform children's lives.

We are excited to be embarking upon a **new and ambitious programme in Romania**. Our goal is to see all institutions for children close by 2020. This will bring hope to thousands of children who are currently trapped in institutions. Last week, ARK was given the prestigious UK Charity Award for International Aid and Development for our de-institutionalisation programme in Bulgaria. We are very proud of this public endorsement of our work.

ARK has just announced a major funding partnership with the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation and the UK Government. Working together in **Zambia**, we will be part of a global initiative to **combat deadly diarrhoea**. With the UK Government matching pound for pound our investment in vaccines, we can now save hundreds of thousands more children.

This year operations also begin in our **critical maternal and newborn survival programme in Zimbabwe**. Building on our **HIV/AIDS work in Mozambique**, we will be effecting change in health outcomes for children across Sub-Saharan Africa.

We are delighted that at our dinner, The Duke of Cambridge announced the **partnership** between ARK and **The Foundation of Prince William and Prince Harry and the Duchess of Cambridge**. Working alongside each other, we can reach out to more disadvantaged children. This autumn, more **Academy schools** will open in the UK *and* we are committed to scaling up our education work in **India**.

Over the coming months we will also be seeking to grow ARK in the **US**.

These are very exciting times for ARK. As we enter our next decade, we have reached a huge milestone in our quest to create a better world for children. We are so grateful that you are part of our journey.

Together we can make a difference.

Thank you, thank you
Arpad Busson
Founding Chairman

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