

## Société Nautique de Genève

Mr. Marcus Young Commodore The Golden Gate Yacht Club #1 Yacht Road San Francisco California 94123 USA

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## 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup

Dear Commodore,

SNG, in its role as trustee and Event organizing authority, is actively working with Ras Al-Khaimah (RAK) authorities in fitting out the venue area for the Event and developing the teams' area on the island.

The works in Al-Hamra Village are progressing positively. The dredging works of the harbor and of the channel are completed and preparations for the teams' bases are progressing according to the latest plans.

SNG will now dedicate further time, efforts and resources towards preparing the venue for the public, the guests, the media and the possible TV broadcasting of the regatta. SNG is working and investing significant resources to organize and promote the Event as well. With all these preparation works, SNG has already incurred and will incur during the next months considerable expenses, time and labor to meet the Event requirements.

It has been nearly two months since SNG selected RAK as the venue for the February 2010 race and three weeks since your representatives visited the venue and met with local authorities. We have been very happy to learn through the local authorities that your team unanimously commented positively on the venue and its facilities and organization and that the cooperation between your team and local authorities was working very well.

We are looking forward to welcoming your team in Ras Al-Khaïmah as soon as possible and we kindly ask you to confirm the arrival date of your team at the venue so that we and the local authorities can have sufficient time to prepare for your arrival.

Yours sincerely,

Fred Meyer
Vice-Commodore

and Chairman of America's Cup Committee

cc. Dr Khater Massaad

Alec Tournier General Secretary