



# 利瑪竇社會服務基金會 Ricci Social Services Foundation

Largo de Santo Agostinho 4 - Macau - China

## **Re: Termination of current way of cooperation with Aids Care China (ACC)**

Dear friends of Casa Ricci,

In the last week of August 2012, our partner Aids Care China (ACC), had decided to finish their current way cooperation with Casa Ricci and without previous consultation proceeded to move all the children under their legal care out of the Children Homes in Guangzhou and Kunming. As a consequence of ACC's decision, in a meeting held at Guangzhou on September 1st, 2012, both organizations agreed to sign the termination of our current way of cooperation, as described in the original contract.

Following the termination of our partnership, ACC will take full responsibility of all the children who are under their legal care, including those who live at the Nanning Children home. In order to prevent further conflicts, ACC promised to make the necessary arrangements to move out of this home in one month's time. Both organizations are now free to develop and manage their own children homes according to their own values and principles.

After more than five years of mutual cooperation, this is a painful experience for the children and the people working in these three homes. CRSS' community will never regret what we have done and built together with ACC during all these years. We just feel sorry for the way this cooperation has abruptly ended, and for the unnecessary pain this will cause in the more than 30 children who were under our mutual care. We hope and believe that ACC will take good care of them, giving them all the support they need to go through this painful experience.

CRSS is willing and ready to face the big challenge of rebuilding these three HIV Children homes (Nanning, Guangzhou and Kunming). We know that God will give us strength and guide us to find those children who need our help. We also count on your support to start again with renew spirit.

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