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## Ruth Dreifuss visits Newlands Clinic

**Zurich, 21st May 2012 – Former Federal Councilor Ruth Dreifuss travelled to Harare, Zimbabwe for the first time at the end of April to visit Newlands Clinic. Since its foundation in 2003, Ruth Dreifuss has been a member of the patronage committee of Swiss Aids Care International and has been committed to combating aids.**

„We are very grateful and proud to have, in Mrs. Dreifuss, so a credible ambassador for our project“, say Sabine and Ruedi Lüthy. It is in Newlands Clinic as well as in the high density population areas outside of Harare that former Federal Councilor Dreifuss met patients and had Ruedi Lüthy explain which problems he deals with on a daily basis. She also met the team at Newlands Clinic. Ruth Dreifuss: „I was greatly impressed by the close and trustful relationship between the nurses and their patients. This contributed to improving compliance and helping the concerned deal with social problems.“



Ruedi Lüthy shows Ruth Dreifuss Newlands Clinic.

Ruth Dreifuss regularly travels abroad and attends conferences on topics to which she is committed. For her, helping is an obligation. She shares, with Ruedi Lüthy, a passion of many years to combat AIDS. According to the former Federal Councilor: „Ruedi Lüthy

has contributed significantly to combating the AIDS epidemic in Switzerland with feeling and knowledge. He now employs all his energy into fighting the disease and helping the concerned in a much tougher environment."

Swiss Aids Care International would like to thank Ruth Dreifuss very much for her commitment!



Ruth Dreifuss and Ruedi Lüthy talking to a young patient of Newlands Clinic.