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### TRUCK DONATIONS FUEL DRIVER TRAINING IN ZAMBIA

Three heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) donated by corporate partners of international development organisation, Transaid, have entered service at the Industrial Training Centre (ITC) in Lusaka. Collectively, they will be used to train hundreds of new and existing professional drivers in Zambia. The three vehicles were formally transferred to the ITC during a handover ceremony in April 2025.

This contributes to an ongoing partnership between Transaid and the ITC which was formed to improve road safety across the country, having first teamed up in 2008 and together trained more than 25,000 drivers during the 17-year period.

Previously operated in the UK, the vehicles comprise two Scania R450 tractor units donated by longstanding corporate partner The Malcolm Group. Asset Alliance Group, which became a corporate partner in January 2024, supplied a DAF CF rigid, and covered the cost of shipping.

To ensure these new assets were ready to hit the ground running, they were fully serviced prior to transportation. All three have been fitted with the latest cameras and telematics systems, donated by Transaid corporate partners Brigade Electronics and Microlise.

Willie Paterson, Chief Executive of Asset Alliance Group, says: "Hearing that new duties on imported vehicles would cause a potential problem for donations, we saw an opportunity to step up. The work Transaid does is incredible and shouldn't be limited by shipping costs."

Andrew Malcolm, Chief Executive of The Malcolm Group, says: "Transaid is an organisation very close to our hearts and we take a huge sense of pride in knowing that these two vehicles, which have worked so hard for our business, can now enjoy a second life helping to make the roads safer in Zambia alongside our previously donated vehicles."

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Brigade Electronics installed two analogue high-definition side cameras, along with a seven-inch colour monitor in each vehicle's cab. The cameras activate when the indicators are switched on and are designed to eliminate blind spots and improve a driver's view of both sides of the vehicle. Microlise supplied access to its Fleet Performance and Driver Safety software solutions, together with telematics equipment.

Caroline Barber, Chief Executive of Transaid, says: "We are so fortunate to have such wonderful corporate partners that truly believe in the work that we are doing and genuinely want to get involved in any way they can. As we have seen with previous vehicle donations, these three trucks will be very useful additions to the ITC fleet."

For more information and to find out how you can support the organisation visit [www.transaid.org](http://www.transaid.org).

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**Note to Editor:**

**About Transaid**

Transaid transforms lives through safe, available, and sustainable transport. Founded by Save the Children, The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), and its Patron, HRH The Princess Royal, the international development organisation works with communities, partners, and governments to solve transport challenges throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

Transaid works in two core areas, road safety and access to health, to solve two of the biggest transport challenges in sub-Saharan Africa. Transaid's road safety work focuses on influencing safe driver behaviour with long term programmes in Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia, responding to local needs for improved training for drivers and riders of trucks, buses, motorcycles and forklift trucks. On the access to health side, Transaid is working with local partners and communities to strengthen access to health services, primarily in rural areas. They are also working to strengthen health supply chains in collaboration with local partners and governments.

Transaid enjoys strong backing from the transport and logistics industry and the active involvement of its patron, HRH The Princess Royal.



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