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Press Release

The best way to react... is to jump right back into the TAC!

EDITORIAL

Many of you are rightfully wondering about the future of rallies in Africa. While this is understandable, you can rest assured, the **3rd TransAfricaine Classic**, scheduled this coming November 11 to 29 will indeed take place and for several good reasons. First of all, the **TransAfricaine Classic** has nothing really in common with "the Dakar". Those who know these two events well will tell you that one is the antithesis the other. Both in terms of mind set and reality.

One of the main reasons the Dakar had to be cancelled was the sheer fact that it had become over publicized. The extreme amount of media coverage year in and year out made the event a prime target for the bands that wreak havoc these days along the borders of Algeria, Niger, Mali and the extreme north-eastern parts of Mauritania.

This is why the **TransAfricaine Classic** has always carefully avoided these areas, right from the beginning.

As promised, way back in November, after wrapping up the **2nd TransAfricaine Classic**, we're already working on a completely secured itinerary, further to the west, entering Mauritania via the official Nouadhibou border check point, completely without risk of any danger whatsoever. Furthermore, thanks to my extensive experience in these parts of the world, I've proven my ability to come up with solutions regardless of the unimaginable surprises, as I did during the first two **TransAfricaine Classic**.

Besides, the two main tour operators have already re-opened flights to Mauritania and we won't even be spending much time there anyway. The detailed itinerary will be unveiled in early March 2008.

I would like to thank you in advance for your continued confidence and encourage you to take advantage of the most attractive prices by signing up within the next few weeks.

The **TransAfricaine Classic 2008** is not up for debate and I hope you'll be right by my side to prove it!

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