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## For Immediate Release

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# Christian Filostrat's "Gospel of Thomas," Second Congo Trilogy Novel

*Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers has released "The Gospel of Thomas," a contemporary political novel and thriller that is second in Christian Filostrat's Congo trilogy. With a mysterious message from Cardinal Simon Mulangu in hand, Thomas Bremanger, the president of the United States, orders covert action against the Vatican to influence selection of the next pope.*

Cherry Hill, NJ, October 15, 2011 –On sale now, Christian Filostrat's "The Gospel of Thomas," deftly brings together a new cast of ruling elites with survivors from his debut novel, *The Beggars' Pursuit*. Both books are part of his Congo trilogy. This new tale of political intrigue, espionage, and religious rituals is set in New York City, Washington, D.C., Santa Ana, California, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Rome, Italy. Published by Africana Homestead Legacy Publishers (AHLP) of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, it is available in hardcover and softcover editions. Readers can buy copies at [www.ahlpstore.com](http://www.ahlpstore.com), at Amazon.com, BarnesandNoble.com, and other booksellers and retailers.

After receiving a mysterious message from the Cardinal Simon Mulangu, President Thomas Bremanger orders U.S. intervention in the imminent papal election. Bill Never, the attorney general, and top players at the NSC, NSA, CIA, State Department and West Wing of the White House quickly assemble a special unit to carry out covert actions. But as turf wars erupt between team members, a seductive intern reports unguarded details to her Chinese handlers. The country's interests, the lives of President Bremanger and Cardinal Mulangu, and the fate of reunification of the Christian Church depend on the success of American operatives and the sacred conclave of Roman Catholic cardinals.

Christian Filostrat's fiction is rich and original, growing out of his experiences in the diplomatic corps at the U.S. Department of State. He appeals to the reader's intellect, yet fills the senses and shocks the emotions with stark scenes. Also the author of *Negritude Agonistes, Assimilation against Nationalism in the French-speaking Caribbean and Guyane*, a scholarly work, he lives in Washington, D.C.

Published October 15, 2011 and 288 pages, the retail price of the hardcover edition, ISBN 978-0-9831151-1-3, is \$28, and the retail price of the softcover edition, ISBN 978-0-9831151-2-0, is \$20. The sales price at [www.ahlpstore.com](http://www.ahlpstore.com) is \$18.20 for the hardcover and \$12.00 for the paperback. For more information contact E. Lama Wonkeryor.

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