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Top of the world

I Dear family, friends and colleagues,

I have some fantastic news to share! This morning, 9.07 Nepalese time,

JACO STOOD ON TOP OF THE WORLD!

The team rested yesterday evening in Camp 4 (South Col) and left for the summit at 1.30am. Jaco reached the summit at 9.07 and spent around 20 minutes on the top before starting his descent. He is now on his way back to Camp 4 and after that to Camp 3 and possibly Camp 2. I received an e-mail from Russell with this news but I haven't spoken to Jaco yet (which we'll only be able to do when he's back in Camp 2). Now it's making sure he gets back safely to Base Camp as there are still the Khumbu Icefalls to cross L.

At this point it all still feels very surreal, but I'm sure it will sink in later today.

A big, big thank you for all your prayers, thoughts, positive vibes, energies, text messages, e-mails and picture walls in the office. I am 100% convinced they have helped Jaco to fulfil his lifetime dream.

I will send another update when I have some more news and hopefully some pictures to share.

Thanks everyone!
Daan