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## **Suspected mismanagement of funds provided to a sub-grantee funded by Foundation for Civil Society, Tanzania**

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Reference is made to the previous report dated 26 September 2023, regarding suspected mismanagement by a sub-grantee funded by Foundation for Civil Society (FCS). The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (MFA) had granted DKK 23,000,000 to FCS for the period 2022-2023 with the aim to promote democracy, good governance, rule of law and respect for human rights in Tanzania. FCS also received funding from two other donors. In 2022-2023, FCS funded the organisation, Community Initiatives Promotion (CIP), with DKK 233,969 of which the Danish share is DKK 113,359.

CIP's 2022-2023 audit to FCS was issued by an unaccredited audit firm. Upon request, CIP engaged an accredited auditor. However, the signature of the accredited auditor was forged. The accredited audit company filed the case at the police, however, have later decided to drop the case following the death of the partner of the auditor firm that forged the signature.

FCS directly engaged their own auditor to audit the FCS support to CIP. The audit confirmed that all funds had been utilized according to the agreement. CIP refunded the cost for the audit done by the unregistered auditor. This amount has now been refunded to the MFA.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs thus regards the case as closed without loss of Danish funds.