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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) provided support to FCS with the aim to promote democracy, good governance, rule of law and respect for human rights in Tanzania. DKK 23,000,000 was granted and disbursed for the period 2022-2023. FCS also received core funding from two other donors. In 2022-2023, FCS funded the organisation, Research and Development Organization (REDO), with DKK 230,872 of which the Danish share is DKK 111,859.

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

FCS directly engaged their own auditor to audit REDO. That audit confirmed that all funds had been utilized according to the agreement. REDO refunded the cost of the audit done by unregistered auditor to the MFA.

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