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Suspicion of irregularities in relation to Legal Services Facility activities, Tanzania

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark provided support to the Legal Services Facility (LSF) with the aim of providing access to justice throughout Tanzania for the period 2022-2023. DKK 30,000,000 was granted and disbursed in the period 2022-2023. For the financial year, 2022–2023, LSF disbursed DKK 33,387 to a paralegal organisation.

As part of the ongoing LSF monitoring and audit process of the organisation, LSF could not obtain all the supporting documents for expenditure amounting to the equivalent of DKK 11,831. LSF discontinued the engagement with the organisation as they were not compliant with the grant agreement with LSF. LSF also noted that the organisation had been deregistered from the NGO register due to non compliance.

However, a new leadership was installed and the organisation was then registered as an NGO again. The organisation refunded the full amount to LSF of ineligible expenditure. As lack of documents and compliance to the grant agreement is not a criminal offence, it is not relevant to report the case to the police.

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