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## **Suspicion of irregularities in relation to CARE Denmark's local partner in Somalia**

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (MFA) has a strategic partnership with CARE Denmark for the period 2022-2025 with an annual grant of DKK 55 million. CARE Denmark supports a project in Somalia through their local partner, World Vision International Somalia (WVIS), with the aim to provide anticipatory action and climate resilience along nomadic corridors in Somalia. DKK 11,871,600 has been disbursed to WVIS.

In April 2025, the WVIS Supply Chain Team identified procurement process deviations from the procurement policies, in relation to a tender process for a new auditing service. The World Vision Global Investigation Team made an investigation. It found no indication that the motivation for the accused employee was to gain personal economic benefits nor had any association with the procured company. When the irregularities were reported, WVIS cancelled the contract and contracted an audit company that had submitted a more competitive bid, and was confirmed to have equally qualified technically.

In August 2025, the World Vision Global Investigation Unit released an investigation report and recommendations for process improvements including strengthening procurement oversight to ensure full compliance with procurement guidelines and using the assigned IT system, cross-checking, conducting secondary reviews of scoring matrices, and enforcing the separation of duties to prevent any single employee from initiating, awarding, and processing the same contract. WVIS has accepted all the recommendations and has submitted a follow-up report confirming that the required actions have been completed. Moreover, the work contract of the accused employee was already scheduled to end when the irregularities in the procurement process occurred. Based on this, CARE Denmark has continued the partnership with WVIS.

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