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Suspicion of irregularities in relation to Danish Youth Council's activities in Denmark, Zambia, and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark provides support for Danish Youth Council (DUF) with an annual grant of DKK 22.5 million. The organisation, The Association for Young New Danes (FUN), has six contracts with DUF under the Global Youth Programme / International Pool Funds. DKK 1,916,885 has been granted to FUN for the period 2022-2025. Four out of the six grants are currently undergoing investigation, which are projects implemented by FUN in partnership with, respectively, Batissons Le Congo (BATCO) in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Tambwe Legacy Foundation (TLF) and Chawama Youth Centre (CYC), both in Zambia. A total of DKK 1,688,934 has been disbursed to these local partners.

In September 2025, DUF was informed about some irregularities within CYC. DUF initiated an investigation, which indicated that a former board member in FUN, who was also involved in the projects in Zambia, has given false statements on the projects and their partners. Furthermore, the investigation indicates that financial records are non-compliant for both the projects in Zambia and DRC. The amount under suspicion is estimated at DKK 800,000.

DUF continues to conduct internal investigations, and will determine how to follow up, once the irregularities have been further clarified. For now, the general collaboration between DUF and FUN is continuing, but with extraordinary vigilance and monitoring. For the specific projects under investigation, they have been put on hold until the case has been concluded.

A new report will be forwarded when there are further developments in the case.