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Suspicion of irregularities in relation to Fojo and IMS' activities in Ethiopia

Reference is made to the previous report dated 23 June 2025 regarding suspicions of theft under a media programme implemented by the Swedish media institute, Fojo, and the Danish NGO, International Media Support (IMS), together with local media partners in Ethiopia.

Despite numerous efforts by the local partner to encourage progress in the local authorities' investigation into the allegations, the case has remained inactive. Fojo therefore engaged a local lawyer to assess the likelihood of the case being pursued by the authorities and to provide recommendations on possible legal options and appropriate follow-up actions.

The report has now been received from the local lawyer and submitted to Fojo and the Embassy of Denmark in Addis Ababa. The local lawyer concludes that the case has effectively reached a state of procedural inactivity and that the likelihood of further progress in the investigation is limited. All misappropriated funds under the project have been reimbursed by Fojo and IMS to the Embassy of Denmark in Addis Ababa as part of the project's financial closure.

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