



Suspicion of irregularities in connection with World Food Programme's activities in the Democratic Republic of Congo

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark provides support to World Food Programme (WFP) to improve food security. A total of DKK 210 million is granted and disbursed in 2024 and 2025, of which WFP has allocated approx. DKK 19 million to its activities in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Furthermore, the MFA has granted and disbursed DKK 10 million in 2024 to WFP, to support procurement of grain to WFP central emergency reserve to support food security activities in DRC.

As part of its regular internal control operations, WFP's internal audit conducted a review of WFP's governance, risk management and internal controls for the period of 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2025. The review found wide-spread compliance issues, including lack of compliance with procurement rules, in the monitoring of the delivery of food assistance, and also in WFP's risk management. The review assessed WFP's management performance as unsatisfactory.

WFP has initiated further investigations into the matter, in order to determine whether these breaches of compliance and lack of controls may have resulted in irregularities, fraud and loss of funds. On the basis of the review's findings and recommendation, WFP has taken immediate action to address the situation, including bringing in new management and experienced staff, as well as developing an action plan to address capacity and competence issues. The WFP Inspector General reports every three months to the WFP Executive Board and donors.

A follow-up report will be forwarded when there are further developments in the case.