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Suspicion of irregularities in relation to Danish Association of the Physically Disabled's partner, Brain Injury Support Organisation, in Uganda

Reference is made to the previous report dated 26 July 2019 regarding suspected fraud and embezzlement in connection with the project, Capacity Building for Sustainable Development, supported by Danish Association of the Physically Disabled (DHF). The project has been implemented, among others, by the local partner in Uganda, Brain Injury Support Organisation of Uganda (BISOU). DKK 13,151,500 has been allocated to the project and disbursed among six partners in total.

In November 2018, a police investigation was concluded, but the public prosecutor's office returned the file to the police for further investigation. In February 2019, BISOU's Chairman, who was in charge of pursuing the case with the police, resigned from the BISOU Board. DHF met with BISOU's lawyer in October 2021. He informed DHF that, in February 2019, BISOU's former chairman had stated that BISOU had lost interest in both the civil and the criminal case, and had instructed him to discontinue pursuit of the matter. DHF succeeded in helping BISOU to elect a new Chairman. Due to the lack of progress on the case, DHF hired their own lawyer to do an independent follow-up on the case. The lawyer found that the police had not recorded any complaints and that no civil suit had ever been filed. In April 2024, DHF Kampala succeeded in filing a criminal complaint, thus reopening the criminal case. The amount under suspicion is currently DKK 560,000.

After numerous delays in locating key witnesses and persuading them to provide statements to the police and later testify in court, the lawyer was able to accompany a witness to the police in November 2025. At the conclusion of that meeting, the police stated that they would summon the two principal suspects to give statements and, if they failed to respond, would locate and arrest them.

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