



Suspicion of irregularities in relation to PlanBørnefonden's partner in Burkina Faso

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Reference is made to the previous report dated 13 October 2025 regarding suspicion of fraud and of potential embezzlement of funds granted to the local subpartner, Réseau Africain Jeunesse Santé et Développement' (RAJS). The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (MFA) supports PlanBørnefonden through a strategic partnership for the period 2022-2025 with a yearly grant of DKK 43 million. PlanBørnefonden cooperates with Plan International Burkina Faso (PIBF), who has signed an agreement with local subpartner, RAJS, to undertake activities related to a MFA funded project. DKK 2,956,381 has been granted to PIBF, of which DKK 556,606 has been disbursed to RAJS.

In June 2023, PIBF rejected several expenditures not sufficiently documented by RAJS. An investigation by Plan International's Counter Fraud Unit was established in April 2024, which concluded that the amount with insufficient documentation was DKK 50,869. PIBF has requested reimbursement of the full amount and return of equipment from RAJS. There has been no response from RAJS and it appears there is an unwillingness to cooperate toward an amicable settlement of the case.

PIBF's lawyer has concluded that a lawsuit against RAJS to recover the funds would be difficult due to insufficient evidence to meet the burden of proof. As a result, PIBF terminated its partnership with RAJS and covered the ineligible amount of DKK 50,869 in May 2025.

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