



Suspicion of irregularities in relation to Danmission's activities in Tanzania

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark provides support for Danmission through a Strategic Partnership for the period 2022-2025. The partnership involves a yearly grant to Danmission of DKK 15 million. As part of the partnership, Danmission cooperates with the organisation, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania Diocese of Mara (DMR), with the aim of creating community empowerment to sustainably manage their natural resources. DKK 775,000 has been disbursed to DMR in the period of 2023-2025.

The suspicion was raised in August 2024 when Danmission's local Finance Manager conducted a monitoring visit. The Finance Manager made spot controls of supporting documents for financial transactions posted on the project. As part of this control, the Finance Manager found that several supporting documents were either insufficient, clearly false, or contradictory. The amount under suspicion is DKK 46,803.

Danmission decided to contract an external auditor to conduct a forensic audit of the partner's accounts. The findings of the forensic audit confirmed the suspected embezzlement and the amount under suspicion. Based on these findings, Danmission decided to terminate the project, suspend all partnership activities with DMR until 2026, and require that DMR return the amount of DKK 46,803 according to an agreed payment plan that requires the reimbursement to be completed by the end of 2026.

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