

Statement at GPE Pledging conference from Educate A Child, Qatar

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Thank you, Madam Chair. I am privileged to serve as the Managing Director of Educate A Child (EAC), a programme of the Education Above All Foundation, and one that benefits from the vision and leadership of her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser of Qatar. Launched in November 2012, EAC's target is to support 10 million out of school children in enrolling and participating in a quality primary education by the 2015/16 school year.

We wish to express our gratitude for and appreciation of the partnership with, as well as the excellent work of the Global Partnership for Education. Together, we already work in a range of countries including, Chad, DRC, South Sudan and Sudan and, at the global level, in shared advocacy for the excluded and most disadvantaged children. Already, our shared commitment exceeds US \$150 million.

While we will jointly agree on the details in the coming months, EAC wishes to take this opportunity to indicate our determined commitment to increasing the breadth and depth of this extraordinarily positive partnership.

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