GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP for EDUCATION

Secretariat Chief Executive Officer
August 5, 2020

Final Decision

CEO/2020/08-01–Allocation for a Costed Restructuring of the Somaliland Education Sector Program Implementation Grant (ESPIG): The CEO, in her delegated authority from the Board of Directors:

1. Approves an allocation for a costed restructuring of the Somaliland ESPIG, as described in the application submitted and summarized in Table 1.

2. Requests the Secretariat to include in its notification of approval to Somaliland the observation set out in Table 2.

Table 1: Application Summary and Allocation Recommendations (in US $):

Table 1 (in US$)		
a.	ESPIG Additional Financing Maximum Country Allocation	4,920,000
b.	Allocation Requested (100%)	4,920,000
c.	**Allocation Approved**	**4,920,000**
d.	Grant Agent	Save the Children USA
e.	Agency Fee % - Amount	7% or 344,400
f.	Grant Agent's Implementation Support Costs	1,132,269[1]
g.	Period	2 years 6 months
h.	Expected Start Date	August 1, 2020
i.	Funding Source	GPE Fund

Table 2 - Observations	
Observations	The Secretariat appreciates the Government of Somaliland's leadership and close cooperation with the GA and CA in the implementation of the ongoing ESPIG. The Secretariat finds that the proposed program remains relevant in the context of Somaliland and is well aligned to Somaliland's education sector plan. The Secretariat recommends that the GA support the Government with the evaluation of the effectiveness of the teacher training supported under the ESPIG, so as to build evidence on the most effective teacher training approaches. The Secretariat positively notes progress in building up the Somaliland National College of Education and recommends partners further consider

[1] This amount is to be funded from the grant and is not in addition to the grant amount

	opportunities for system-building / institutionalization of SNCE over the next two years. The Secretariat also commends the ESC and the donor coordination group for its wide membership and all its engagement in Somaliland both locally and from Nairobi. The ESC and donor group is encouraged to continue supporting the ministry in harmonizing development partner efforts in the education sector. The Secretariat recommends that prior to publishing the next statistical yearbooks, a process for data validation be put in place, inclusive of consultation with relevant directorates and stakeholders.

Annex A – Secretariat quality assurance review phase III report