OCTOBER 27, 2023

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VIA AFFIRMATIVE VOTE

FINAL DECISION

BOD/AV/2023/10-01 – STRATEGIC PARAMETERS FOR A SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION GRANT TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS

The Board of Directors:

1 Notes the assessment of the Independent Technical Advisory Panel (ITAP) on enabling factors for system transformation in the Solomon Islands, including those considered high priority, as set out in Annex 3 of document BOD/AV/2023/10 DOC 01.

2 Notes the Secretariat's assessment set out in Annex 2 of the strategic parameters of the Solomon Islands Partnership Compact in Annex 4.

3 Invites Solomon Islands to submit an application and approves an extension to do so by no later than May 31, 2024, of up to a total of US$ 5,000,000, for a system transformation grant, in reference to FRC/2021/09-01, and in accordance with the strategic parameters for GPE support as set out in Table 1.

Table 1 Summary of Strategic Parameters and Secretariat Allocation Recommendations (all amounts in US$)		
a.	System Transformation Grant (STG) Indicative Allocation	5,000,000
b.	**Total Allocation Recommended by the Secretariat**	**5,000,000**
c.	**High Priority Enabling Factors *** ○ Data and Evidence	
d.	**Focus Area for GPE Funding:** Strengthen and reform the foundations for improving quality teaching and learning, incorporating a gender equality and inclusion lens: ○ teacher management ○ school leadership and management ○ professional learning and development, and ○ curriculum, student assessment and teaching and learning resources	

* Summarized from the partnership compact. See Annex 4 for full details.