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The Principal Secretary
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**GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR EDUCATION (GPE) REPLENISHMENT
CAMPAIGN**

Enclosed herewith please find a letter addressed to His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta, from his counterpart His Excellency President Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe.

It will be appreciated if the letter could be forwarded to its highest destination.

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Stella Munyi, MBS
AMBASSADOR

Encl.



*President
State House
Harare
Zimbabwe*

23rd July, 2021.

Your Excellency,

I acknowledge receipt of your recent letter in which you briefed me on the extremely important campaign to replenish the Global Partnership for Education for the next five years as part of the build-up to the Global Education Summit-Financing GPE 2021-2025 scheduled to be held from 28th – 29th July, 2021, in London, the United Kingdom (UK). I congratulate you and the Right Honourable Boris Johnson, the Prime Minister of the UK for this initiative.

Indeed, the message enshrined in the Political Declaration and Call-to-Action on Domestic Financing for Education resonates with the Government of Zimbabwe's priorities and aspirations towards supporting the education sector. My Government has prioritised Human Capital Development in its National Development Strategy 1 (NDS 1), in the context of Zimbabwe's Vision 2030 to attain an upper middle-income economy status. The education sector therefore needs adequate funding to ensure that it squarely fulfils its fundamental role of being an effective tool for socio-economic development.

**His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta,
President of the Republic of Kenya,
NAIROBI,
Kenya.**

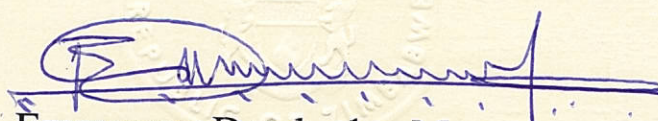
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The Global Partnership for Education has financed numerous programmes that have strengthened access to equitable and inclusive quality education, before and during the COVID-19 pandemic in our schools. It should continue to support and play a major role in support of countries towards achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 4. Additional funding is required towards school infrastructure development that includes provision of water, sanitation and hygiene. My Government is committed to meeting the set 20% international standards for domestic investment in education.

As I reaffirm my support for global action towards education at a time world focus is on the COVID-19 pandemic, I hereby convey my country's endorsement of the Political Declaration and support for the Call-to-Action on Domestic Financing for Education. I stand ready to co-sign the statement and Call-to-Action as requested.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE