The President of the United Republic of Tanzania

The State House
Dodoma
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His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta,
President of Republic of Kenya,
Statehouse,
Nairobi,
REPUBLIC OF KENYA.

Your Excellency, and Dear Brother,

I wish to warmly acknowledge receipt of your letter with reference No. CHC 162/320/01 dated 04 June 2021 regarding the endorsement of the political declaration and call to action on Domestic Financing for Education ahead of the Global Education Summit- Financing GPE 2021 - 2025 to be held in London on 28th and 29th July 2021.

Tanzania greatly value the importance of Domestic financing for education and is making efforts to develop our education sector particularly children’s education. This is evident on the measures taken by the Government over the past five years in financing primary and secondary education so as to ensure the access to free education for all. Despite the ongoing covid-19 pandemic, The Government of Tanzania has continued to ensure that the budget of the education sector remains unaffected.

Excellency, as you are aware there are several existing bilateral and multilateral efforts in strengthening domestic education but there is still a huge financing gap to promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. Time has come for us leaders to join hands in solidarity to guarantee domestic education is fully funded and is accorded the importance it deserves. In this regard, I am delighted to endorse the political statement and call to action on Domestic Financing for Education as stated in your letter.

I wish you fruitful deliberations and it is my sincere hope that the Summit will come up with deliberations that ensure quality education for all and no one is left behind.

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

Samia Suluhu Hassan
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA