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Dear Dr Boly Barry,

I write in my capacity as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Global Partnership for Education.

I acknowledge receipt of your 'Communication from Special Procedures' dated 7 June 2019 ('the Communication').

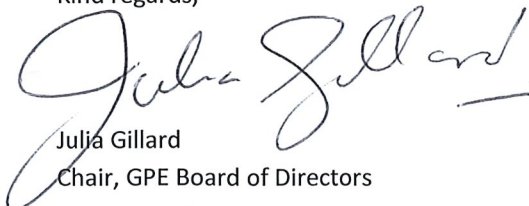
The Communication was addressed to Ms. Alice Albright, the Chief Executive Officer of GPE. Given it deals with Board matters, she has referred it to me for reply.

The last paragraph on page 4 of the Communication asks for the provision of 'additional information and/or comments' in relation to 'the above-mentioned allegations.' However, there are no allegations made in the proceeding text. Consequently, no reply is possible.

The first paragraph on page 5 asks for information on how GPE will ensure its Private Sector Engagement Strategy 'will be compatible with international human rights standards relating to the right to education.' As you are aware, the Private Sector Engagement Strategy will be decided upon by the GPE Board during its meeting in Stockholm on June 11 to 13. Full information in response to this request will then be sent to you.

In conclusion, please note I will ensure the Communication and this reply are circulated to GPE Board Members.

Kind regards,


Julia Gillard
Chair, GPE Board of Directors

Cc: Alice Albright, GPE CEO



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