

October 31, 2025

Ms. Attiya Waris, Independent Expert
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Via email: ohchr-registry@un.org

Dear Ms. Waris,

Subject: Communication from Special Procedures, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights - AL OTH 130/2025

Thank you for your letter dated 1 October 2025. We appreciate the questions you have raised in connection with IFC's investment in a private sector company and assure you that this investment involves no support or assumption of foreign debt or other related international financial obligations by a State.

An important component of IFC's commitment to transparency and accountability is the independent accountability mechanism role of the Compliance Advisor Ombudsman (CAO), which reports directly to IFC's Board of Directors and makes public a range of materials relating to complaints regarding IFC projects by impacted communities and IFC's response to those complaints. These materials include IFC Management Action Plans that are approved by IFC's Board (i.e., not subject to review or appeal by another body) on actions to be taken to address CAO's findings of IFC's non-compliance with its E&S policies. They also include arrangements established by the IFC Board to monitor the implementation of such action plans. Below please find materials relating to CAO's two investigations concerning Bridge International Academies (or New Globe Schools):

- The CAO investigation report regarding allegations of child sexual abuse and IFC's Management Report and Management Action Plan, approved by IFC's Board, were published on 14 March 2024. More information can be found [here](#).
- The CAO investigation report regarding the company's compliance with Kenyan national curriculum requirements and IFC's performance standards in terms of health and safety,



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- and labor conditions and IFC’s Management Report and Management Action Plan, approved by IFC’s Board, were published on 7 April 2025. More information can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your input, and we hope this information has been helpful in answering your questions.

Yours Sincerely,



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