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Re: Bridge International Academies

Dear Mr Fallon,

At our meeting on 24 June, we raised with you serious concerns regarding the practices of Bridge International Academies. Recently, these concerns have attracted significant public attention.

As you would be aware, the Ugandan Government recently announced the closure of Bridge International Academies citing repeated wilful disregard for national legal and educational requirements with respect to the provision of schooling. (Attached you will find a statement to parliament by the Minister on 8 August, the ruling of the High Court of Uganda on 4 November and a link to a further statement by the Ministry of Education on 9 November, <https://ugandamediacentreblog.wordpress.com/2016/11/09/statement-on-bridge-international-academy/>, relevant to this matter.)

In light of these developments, we would consider ongoing support for Bridge International Academies by the Pearson untenable.

We would welcome Pearson's position in relation to these developments.

Yours sincerely,

Fred van Leeuwen
General Secretary