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DENMARK PROVIDES TANZANIA WITH DKK 60 MILLION EQUIVALENT TO TSHS 15 BILLION TO UPGRADE AND IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY ON THE CHALINZE – SEGERA-TANGA ROAD

The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania and the Government of Denmark on 23/12/2009 signed an agreement on supplementary Danish support for the road sector in Tanzania, under which Denmark will provide financial support totaling DKK 60 million equivalent to Tanzania shillings 15 billion.

It is an additional of Danish assistance for the Road Sector Programme Support Phase 3, this further contribution increases the amount of Danish assistance to Tanzania 140 billion (approximately 108 million USD). The supplementary funding will enable the Government of Tanzania to upgrade the Chalinze – Segera – Tanga road.

The improvement of this road will help to reduce transport costs between Northern Tanzania and Dar es Salaam and will provide renewed impetus for trade between different regions in Tanzania. It will also help to improve road safety which is a huge challenge in Tanzania, having one of the largest prevalence of accidents in the world when compared to the number of registered vehicles in the country.

The Danish Road Sector Programme Support underpins Tanzania's ongoing Road Sector Reforms that aims at the establishment of sustainable National and Local road networks through better maintenance and efficient road sector institutions.

The agreement was signed in Dar es Salaam by the Permanent Secretary to the Treasury Mr. Ramadhani M. Khijjah and the Ambassador of Denmark to Tanzania H.E Bjarne H. Sprensen on behalf of their respective Governments.

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