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Dear Madam,

RE: RECOMMENDATION OF COMMUNITY UPLIFT AND WELFARE DEVELOPMENT (CUWEDE)

Greetings from Community Empowerment for Rural Development (CEFORD UGANDA)! CEFORD is one of the leading indigenous pro-women Non-For-Profit NGO in West Nile that has been fighting for the rights of women and Girls on issues of inclusion of women in leadership and decision making and prevention of Gender base violence and early teenage pregnancy and promotion of Girl Child Education.

Regarding the aforementioned organisation (Community Uplift and Welfare Development-CUWEDE); I sincerely hold positive views about them in being pro-women indigenous community Based Organisation (CBO) whose leadership are mainly women and so far we implemented series of pro-gender projects with them ranging from, gender-responsive accountability project, women economic empowerment, stop child labour campaign among others. In-fact, they are contributing a lot to the livelihoods of women and girls in Nebbi as personally I know of some of their projects which they implemented independently and have continued to impact positively on the lives of women and girls in Nebbi and these among others include; Sexual Gender Based Violence funded by Independent Development Fund; Spring Well Construction for women water users funded by Japan Water Forum (JWF) and Associated Country Women of the World (ACCW) respectively, young women skilling project funded by TUNADO. Currently, I am also aware of Girls Get Equal project which they are soon taking on with support from Plan International.

We are happy to note that; the CUWEDE especially within the current COVID-19 pandemic interruption is reaching out to know for further support to enable them continue to service and meet the needs of women and girls in Nebbi since we equally believe the pandemic has put a lot of stress on the already dwindling resources. I personally as a referee and on behalf of CEFORD, happy to duly recommend them for this support and assure you that, they will be able to produce the results required since they are credible and effective organisation whose deliverables are unquestionable more especially in the lives of thousands of women and girls in Nebbi. We feel your support will add value to already what they are doing but most importantly to lifting the lots of the many people who require such intervention here in West Nile; we will be glad to hear that, their request is prioritized by your foundation and sincerely request you not to turn them down.

I am available for further information or clarification on their work should this one proved not satisfactory

Yours Faithfully

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