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Statement of ChildFund Alliance in Response to Cuts in Aid for International Development

The decision by the world's most prosperous economies to cut or terminate billions of dollars in aid for international development programs is already resulting in enormous suffering among people living in extreme poverty. Further, it is setting back decades of progress for the most marginalized and vulnerable populations. Foreign assistance is rapidly eroding across the globe as governments and major donors cut funding at a staggering level. These cuts come during a time when the need for humanitarian assistance and protection has escalated to unprecedented levels.

These decisions are halting critical work carried out by aid organizations that provide safe and clean water, food, shelter, education, and protection, among many other services. They also serve as a grave departure from our core values to support the world's children, families, and communities who are most at risk and who now must survive without the most basic of life essential services.

ChildFund Alliance urges governments to reverse course and once again support life-saving international development aid. Collectively, Alliance members pledge to work in solidarity with each other and all those who remain committed to addressing rising humanitarian needs so we might protect future generations from irreparable harm. The wellbeing and rights of the world's children and poorest communities have never been more at risk.

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ChildFund Alliance is a global network of 11 child-focused development and humanitarian organizations reaching nearly 30 million children and family members in more than 70 countries. Members work to end violence and exploitation against children; provide expertise in emergencies and disasters to ease the harmful impact on children and their communities; and engage children, families and communities to create lasting change. With 80 years of collective experience, our commitment, resources, innovation and expertise serve as a powerful force to help children and families around the world transform their lives.