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“We have meanwhile set up a process and there are also independent institutions monitoring which objectives of our G7 meetings we actually achieve. When it comes to these goals we have a compliance rate of about 80%, according to the University of Toronto. Germany, with its 87%, comes off pretty well. That means that next year too, under the Japanese G7 presidency, we are going to check where we stand in comparison to what we have discussed with each other now. So a lot of what we have resolved to do here together is something that we are going to have to work very hard at over the next few months. But I think that it has become apparent that we, as the G7, want to assume responsibility far beyond the prosperity in our own countries. That’s why today’s outreach meetings, that is the meetings with our guests, were also of great importance.”

Chancellor Angela Merkel, Schloss Elmau, 8 June 2015

G7 summits are a moment for people to judge whether aspirational intent is met by concrete commitments. The G7 Research Group provides a report card on the implementation of G7 and G20 commitments. It is a good moment for the public to interact with leaders and say, you took a leadership position on these issues — a year later, or three years later, what have you accomplished?

Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme,
in *G7 Canada: The 2018 Charlevoix Summit*

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18. Gender: Quality Education for Girls and Women

“We will ensure commitment to gender equality and prioritize improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts, while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.”

G7 Charlevoix Declaration on Quality Education for Girls, Adolescent Girls and Women in Developing Countries

Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Canada			+1
France		0	
Germany		0	
Italy		0	
Japan			+1
United Kingdom			+1
United States	-1		
European Union			+1
Average		+0.38	

Background

In recent years, gender equality has been a growing topic within the G7. In 1979, the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women was conceived, a ground-breaking moment for the fight for gender equality within global governance.²⁵⁸² The Convention provides the framework of “equality between women and men through ensuring women’s equal access to, and equal opportunities in, political and public life — including the right to vote and to stand for election -- as well as education, health, and employment.”²⁵⁸³

In the following years, major advances towards the overall goal for gender equality were made. On 15 September 1995, the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action was created with an unprecedented 17,000 participants and 30,000 activists for the Fourth World Conference on Women.²⁵⁸⁴ This conference created the most progressive blueprint of its time for advancing women’s rights, and for connecting women’s rights movements and activism with a global platform.²⁵⁸⁵ The Platform of Action imagined a world where “woman and girls can exercise [their] freedoms and choices and realize all [their] rights ... [and] to go to school.”²⁵⁸⁶

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development reflects a turning point in global governance, namely one that turns its attention to girls and women. All 193 United Nations member states committed to the goal of ending gender inequality by 2030.²⁵⁸⁷ This demonstrates global will to tackle the issue

²⁵⁸² Overview of the Convention, UN Women 1979. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/>.

²⁵⁸³ Overview of the Convention, UN Women 1979. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/>.

²⁵⁸⁴ The Beijing Platform for Action, UN Women 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://beijing20.unwomen.org/en/about>.

²⁵⁸⁵ The Beijing Platform for Action, UN Women 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://beijing20.unwomen.org/en/about>.

²⁵⁸⁶ The Beijing Platform for Action, UN Women 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://beijing20.unwomen.org/en/about>.

²⁵⁸⁷ UN Adopts new Global Goals, charting sustainable development for people and planet by 2030, UN News 25 September 2015. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://news.un.org/en/story/2015/09/509732-un-adopts-new-global-goals-charting-sustainable-development-people-and-planet>.

from its root causes. Sustainable Development Goal 5 specifically targets the “end of all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere (5.1),” and to “ensure women’s full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life (5.5).”²⁵⁸⁸

Moreover, the global call to action by the UN Secretary General’s High-Level Panel (HLP) for Women’s Economic Empowerment was an important step for gender equality.²⁵⁸⁹ On 22 September 2016, HLP for Women’s Economic Empowerment released its first findings at the UN General Assembly. This report strived to show the challenges faced by disadvantaged and vulnerable women.²⁵⁹⁰

On 26 June 2010, at the Muskoka Summit, the host nation Canada set a precedent for Maternal, Newborn and Under-Five Child Health under the G8 Muskoka Initiative.²⁵⁹¹ In this initiative, the G8 emphasized the necessity of improving education for women and girls as action is required on all factors that affect the health of women and children.²⁵⁹²

On 27 May 2016 at the Ise-Shima Summit, the leaders committed to empowering women and girls through capacity building, which included education and training, alongside science, technology, engineering and mathematics.²⁵⁹³ This goal was set in the hopes that women and girls would realize their full potential, which is why the G7 leaders endorsed the G7 Guiding Principles for Capacity Building of Women and Girls: towards Sustainable, Inclusive and Equitable Growth and Peace.²⁵⁹⁴

On 16 November 2017, along with the representatives from the G7 members, the Gender Equality Ministers met in Taormina, Italy. This meeting was the last of 13 ministerial meetings that took place during the Italian G7 presidency. The discussions focused on how women’s economic empowerment could be a driver for global growth and development. Namely, the ministers reaffirmed commitments from previous summits, especially the commitments made by previous G7 and G20 presidencies and declarations. They committed to taking the full effort to “meet the respective qualitative and quantitative targets and deadlines set out in the G7 Roadmap for Gender-Responsive Economic Environment.”²⁵⁹⁵ The declaration also noted the importance to invest in social

²⁵⁸⁸ Target & Indicators Goal 5, Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform March 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdg5>.

²⁵⁸⁹ Press Release: First report by High-Level Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment outlines drivers to advance gender equality, UN Secretary-General’s High-Level Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment 22 September 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://hlp-wee.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2016/09/press-release-first-report-by-high-level-panel-on-womens-economic-empowerment>.

²⁵⁹⁰ Press Release: First report by High-Level Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment outlines drivers to advance gender equality, UN Secretary-General’s High-Level Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment 22 September 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://hlp-wee.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2016/09/press-release-first-report-by-high-level-panel-on-womens-economic-empowerment>.

²⁵⁹¹ Muskoka Declaration: Recovery and New Beginnings, G7 Information Center 26 June 2010. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2010muskoka/communique.html>.

²⁵⁹² Muskoka Declaration: Recovery and New Beginnings, G7 Information Center 26 June 2010. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2010muskoka/communique.html>.

²⁵⁹³ G7 Ise-Shima Leaders’ Declaration, G7 Information Center 27 May 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2016shima/ise-shima-declaration-en.html>.

²⁵⁹⁴ G7 Ise-Shima Leaders’ Declaration, G7 Information Center 27 May 2016. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2016shima/ise-shima-declaration-en.html>.

²⁵⁹⁵ G7 Ministerial Meeting on Gender Equality: Declaration of the Minister Taromina, Italy, G7 Information Centre 16 November 2017. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/gender/2017-gender-quality.html>.

infrastructure to support households' care for children, including quality of life in education facilities.²⁵⁹⁶

Leading up to the 2018 G7 summit in Charlevoix, Canadian prime minister Justin Trudeau promised an unprecedented emphasis on women and girls over the course of the group's deliberations.²⁵⁹⁷ All G7 members expressed support for Canada's theme of gender equality and female empowerment. Uniquely to the Charlevoix Summit, Prime Minister Trudeau created the G7 Gender Equality Advisory Council, which signifies a significant step as a host nation championing and mainstreaming gender equality. The advisory council is composed of prominent feminist leaders, in an attempt to bring forth insightful commitments that spark real change.²⁵⁹⁸ A core commitment was to girls' education.²⁵⁹⁹

On 9 June 2018, G7 leaders agreed upon a summit declaration entitled Quality Education for Girls, Adolescent Girls and Women in Developing Countries.²⁶⁰⁰ The declaration recognized the necessity for the full participation of everyone in order to promote social development and sustainable economic growth. The leaders emphasized support for "education, through our development and humanitarian assistance, that aspires to achieve gender equality."²⁶⁰¹ Specifically, the emphasis was placed on the importance of safe transportation and investment in secure school facilities, in order to make education a rewarding and welcoming environment for girls around the world.

Commitment Features

The G7 member "will ensure commitment to gender equality and prioritize improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts, while supporting schools as safe spaces for children." The word "will" is understood to mean a commitment which entails a pledge that "ensures" direct action for gender equality. "Ensure" is considered to make something certain to happen.²⁶⁰² Gender equality in the context of the G7 is understood as binary (men/boys and women/girls) and does not refer to the larger spectrum of gender and sexual identities.

This commitment will ensure gender equality between men/boys and women/girls by prioritiz[ing] improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts, while support[ing] schools as safe spaces for children.

²⁵⁹⁶ G7 Roadmap for a Gender-Responsive Economic Environment, G7 Information Centre 27 May 2017. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2017taormina/gender.html>.

²⁵⁹⁷ Trudeau says equality will be top priority at a G7 summit despite concern about Trump's distractions, The Globe and Mail 5 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-trudeau-says-gender-equality-will-be-top-priority-at-g7-summit-despite/>

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²⁶⁰⁰ Charlevoix Declaration on Quality Education for Girls, Adolescent Girls and Women in Developing Countries, G7 Information Centre 9 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2018charlevoix/education-commitment.html>.

²⁶⁰¹ Charlevoix Declaration on Quality Education for Girls, Adolescent Girls and Women in Developing Countries, G7 Information Centre 9 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2018charlevoix/education-commitment.html>.

²⁶⁰² Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, Global Governance Program (Toronto) 27 September 2017. Access Date: 30 August 2018.

In the first part of the commitment, “prioritize” is defined as to “give high priority to” the need to improve access to quality education for girls and women. “Women” refers to all female persons of working age whereas “girls” is defined a female under aged 18, or a persons’ child. “Access” should be interpreted to mean the right to obtain or make use of the entity in reference.²⁶⁰³ According to the International Labour Organization, this includes all women aged 15 or above who are either employed, unemployed, or not in the labour force.²⁶⁰⁴ As understood by the United Nations, a girl child can be defined as a socially constructed category around female persons between 0 and 18 years.²⁶⁰⁵

“Improve” refers to taking concrete actions for the betterment of something.²⁶⁰⁶ Examples of improvements include enhancing and updating old initiatives or implementing new ones to reach an old goal. When talking about improved access to quality education, the member is expected to partner with key humanitarian and development organization and host government to promote coordination when providing education in early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding. These efforts will be made in order to ensure gender equality, and thus, girls and women must be the subject and target of members’ initiatives. It is particularly important that such efforts are of “quality” which is understood as an initiative that adequately and sufficiently addresses women’s’ needs in the school environment. Examples of quality education include teachers, supplies and basic infrastructure needed such as women/girl’s bathrooms.

The “early stages” is understood as the “stabilization when immediate emergency needs have been addressed and return/recovery, when those who are displaced are returning home and/or the focus is on rebuilding systems and structures and transitioning to development.”²⁶⁰⁷ It is important to note, that “early stages” is not limited to this time period but requires a fulsome approach to the emergency, looking at a wholesome response that includes prevention, pre-crisis, and the crisis in order to promote humanitarian responses and peacebuilding efforts.²⁶⁰⁸ According to the United Nations Population Fund, these are the four stages of humanitarian response: emergency preparation & contingency planning, acute emergency response, chronic humanitarian situations, transition, and recovery.²⁶⁰⁹ Peacebuilding would entail specifically “chronic situations & transition/recovery.”²⁶¹⁰ “We share a responsibility” to build a more peaceful and secure world, recognizing that respect for human rights, the rule of law and equality of opportunity are necessary for lasting security and to

²⁶⁰³ Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, Global Governance Program (Toronto) 27 September 2017. Access Date: 12 September 2018.

²⁶⁰⁴ Definitions, International Labour Organization (Geneva) 2011. Access Date: 21 July 2018.
https://www.ilo.org/ilostat/faces/home/statisticaldata/conceptsdefinitions?_afLoop=245436817571306#%40%3F_afLoop%3D245436817571306%26_adf.ctrl-state%3Dpxg0kcjth_38.

²⁶⁰⁵ Girl child empowerment: A challenge for all, United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women 2006. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/egm/elim-disc-viol-girlchild/ExpertPapers/EP.8%20%20%20Bidgain.pdf>.

²⁶⁰⁶ Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, Global Governance Program (Toronto) 27 September 2017. Access Date: 20 July 2018.

²⁶⁰⁷ Stages of Emergency, UN WOMEN May 2007. Access Date: 30 August 2018.
<http://www.endvawnow.org/en/articles/1510-stages-of-emergency.html>.

²⁶⁰⁸ Stages of Emergency, UN WOMEN May 2007. Access Date: 30 August 2018.
<http://www.endvawnow.org/en/articles/1510-stages-of-emergency.html>.

²⁶⁰⁹ A Human Rights-Based Approach to Programming, United Nations Population Fund 2010. Access Date: 12 September 2018. <https://www.unfpa.org/resources/human-rights-based-approach-programming-0>.

²⁶¹⁰ A Human Rights-Based Approach to Programming, United Nations Population Fund 2010. Access Date: 12 September 2018. <https://www.unfpa.org/resources/human-rights-based-approach-programming-0>.

enable economic growth that works for everyone.”²⁶¹¹ This is from the communique under “building a more peaceful and secure world.”²⁶¹²

Humanitarian response is the material and logistical assistance to people in need with the intention of alleviating human suffering.²⁶¹³ Peacebuilding efforts is a broad term that has “diverse actors in government and civil society at the community, national, and international levels to address the immediate impacts and root causes of conflict before, during, and after a violent conflict occurs.”²⁶¹⁴ Examples of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts include both government and non-government projects.

To fulfill the first aspect of the commitment, the G7 member must prioritize improved access to quality education: 1) for girls, 2) for women, 3) in early stages of humanitarian response and 4) in early stages of peacebuilding effort.

The second part of the commitment reflects the importance of the work environment for women and girls as they receive an education. “Supporting” refers to the act of providing aid, assistance, or public affirmation to an initiative or entity.²⁶¹⁵ In the context of this commitment, G7 members must aid, assist, or affirm their schools to be safe spaces for children. Therefore, examples of supporting “safety” in schools include implementing precautionary measures and outlining safety concerns for both male and female students attending their schools. “Supporting safe spaces,” in the context of this commitment refers to any actions taken to improve accessibility and security for children in school. Examples of actions taken towards supporting schools as safe spaces for children include but are not limited to: Supporting developing country partners in their efforts to provide equal opportunities for girls and women to complete at least 12 years of quality education from their early years through to secondary school or Supporting actions to make schools and education institutions safe and welcoming for girls and women, including through investments in secure schools.²⁶¹⁶

To fulfill the second aspect of the commitment, the G7 member must take initiatives to support a safe school environment for children, both male and female, in addition to the four options of providing access.

To achieve full compliance a G7 member must successfully prioritize improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children. For further context on the concept of gender equality, please refer to the document published by the Gender Equality Advisory Council for Canada’s G7 Presidency entitled Make Gender Inequality History.²⁶¹⁷

²⁶¹¹ A Human Rights-Based Approach to Programming, United Nations Population Fund 2010. Access Date: 12 September 2018. <https://www.unfpa.org/resources/human-rights-based-approach-programming-0>.

²⁶¹² A Human Rights-Based Approach to Programming, United Nations Population Fund 2010. Access Date: 12 September 2018. <https://www.unfpa.org/resources/human-rights-based-approach-programming-0>.

²⁶¹³ Defining humanitarian assistance, Development Initiatives. Access Date: 12 September 2018. <http://devinit.org/defining-humanitarian-assistance/#>.

²⁶¹⁴ What is Peacebuilding? Alliance for Peacebuilding. Access Date: 30 August 2018. <http://www.allianceforpeacebuilding.org/what-is-peacebuilding/>.

²⁶¹⁵ Compliance Coding Manual for International Institutional Commitments, Global Governance Program (Toronto) 27 September 2017. Access Date: 30 September 2018.

²⁶¹⁶ Charlevoix Declaration on Quality Education for Girls, Adolescent Girls and Women in Developing Countries, G7 Information Centre 9 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <http://www.g7.utoronto.ca/summit/2018charlevoix/education-commitment.html>.

²⁶¹⁷ Make Gender Inequality History, G7 2018 Charlevoix Advancing Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment 4 June 2018. Access Date: 21 July 2018. <https://g7.gc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Recommendations-by-the-Gender-Equality-Advisory-Council.pdf>.

Partial compliance is a score of 0 when the G7 member has fulfilled one of the four components of prioritized access to education while supported schools as safe spaces for children. This means that the G7 member has, for example, successfully prioritized improved access to quality education for girls while supporting schools as a safe place. The G7 member will receive a score of -1 for non-compliance if they have not successfully prioritized improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts nor supported schools as safe spaces for children.

Scoring Guidelines

-1	G7 member has NOT prioritized improved access to quality education 1) for girls, 2) for women, 3) in early stages of humanitarian response and 4) in early stages of peacebuilding efforts NOR 2) supported schools as safe spaces for children
0	G7 member has EITHER prioritized improved access to quality education 1) for girls, 2) for women, 3) in early stages of humanitarian response and 4) in early stages of peacebuilding efforts WHILE 2) supported schools as safe spaces for children
+1	G7 member has prioritized improved access to quality education 1) for girls, 2) for women, 3) in early stages of humanitarian response and 4) in early stages of peacebuilding efforts WHILE 2) supported schools as safe spaces for children

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Canada has fully complied with prioritizing improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 9 June 2018, Canada, along with the European Union, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank invested CAD 3.8 billion to improving access and reducing barriers to quality education around the world.²⁶¹⁸ This is an investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations.²⁶¹⁹

On 23 September 2018, Canada and Spain publicly reaffirmed their commitment to gender equality.²⁶²⁰ This included the principles of the Charlevoix commitment to support developing

²⁶¹⁸ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (La Malbaie) 9 June 2018. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

²⁶¹⁹ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (La Malbaie) 9 June 2018. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

²⁶²⁰ Declaration in favour of gender equality between the government of Spain and the government of Canada, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (Montreal) 23 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/09/23/declaration-favour-gender-equality-between-government-spain-and-government-canada>.

countries in their efforts to provide improved access to education for girls and women and support of investments to make schools safe spaces.²⁶²¹

On 24 September 2018, Canada pledged support for the International Finance Facility for Education at a session at the United Nations General Assembly.²⁶²² The Facility proposes an innovative model to address gaps in financing for lower and middle-income countries seeking to invest in their education systems.²⁶²³

On 27 September 2018, Prime Minister Trudeau delivered opening remarks at 12 Years to Break Barriers and Leave No Girls Behind, co-hosts of which included the UK, France Jordan, Kenya, and Niger.²⁶²⁴ More than 500 stakeholders reaffirmed and issued their commitment to undertake concrete policy action to address barriers in order to provide 12 years of free, safe and quality education for all girls.²⁶²⁵

On 10 October 2018, Member of Parliament for Hull-Aylmer, on behalf of the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Services and Procurement Canada, and Minister of Public Services and Procurement Canada, announced the Canadian government is opening its training centre in Gatineau to students of Ecole secondaire Mont-Bleu for the remainder of the school year after the school was damaged by lightning during the September 21 storm.²⁶²⁶ Space will be made available in the Asticou Centre to ensure that students have an adequate and safe learning environment.

On 10 October 2018, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health announced more than CAD 4.1 million in funding under Health Canada's Substance Use and Addictions Program prior to the Cannabis Act coming into force.²⁶²⁷ As part of this funding package, the Ontario Physical and Health Education Association will receive CAD 653,000 for a program that equips school educators with the necessary tools to address cannabis use and safety risks in schools.²⁶²⁸

²⁶²¹ Declaration in favour of gender equality between the government of Spain and the government of Canada, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (Montreal) 23 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/09/23/declaration-favour-gender-equality-between-government-spain-and-government-canada>.

²⁶²² Make Impossible Possible: Unlocking Human Potential Through Education, The Education Commission 24 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <http://educationcommission.org/updates/make-impossible-possible-unlocking-human-potential-through-education/>.

²⁶²³ Make Impossible Possible: Unlocking Human Potential Through Education, The Education Commission 24 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <http://educationcommission.org/updates/make-impossible-possible-unlocking-human-potential-through-education/>.

²⁶²⁴ Prime Minister concludes successful week at the United Nations General Assembly, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (New York) 26 September 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/09/26/prime-minister-concludes-successful-week-united-nations-general-assembly>.

²⁶²⁵ 12 Years to Break Barriers and Leave No Girl Behind, United Nations Girls' Education Initiative 15 September 2018. Access date: 17 October 2018. http://www.ungei.org/index_6525.html.

²⁶²⁶ Government of Canada makes Asticou Centre available for Mont Bleu students, Public Safety Canada (Gatineau) 10 October 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-safety-canada/news/2018/10/government-of-canada-makes-asticou-centre-available-for-mont-bleu-students-displaced-by-recent-tornado.html>.

²⁶²⁷ Government of Canada funds innovative cannabis public education projects targeting young Canadians, Health Canada (Toronto) 10 October 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2018/10/government-of-canada-funds-innovative-cannabis-public-education-projects-targeting-young-canadians.html>.

²⁶²⁸ Government of Canada funds innovative cannabis public education projects targeting young Canadians, Health Canada (Toronto) 10 October 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2018/10/government-of-canada-funds-innovative-cannabis-public-education-projects-targeting-young-canadians.html>.

On 12 October 2018, Canada's Minister of International Development announced the provision of up to CAD 50 million over two years for Palestinian refugees through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.²⁶²⁹ Up to CAD 40 million will assist in the provision of basic services, including helping over 500,000 Palestinian children receive a basic quality education.²⁶³⁰ However, this assistance is not limited to women and girls specifically.

Included in the 12 October 2018 announcement is Canada's commitment to providing up to CAD 12.5 million over five years for Right to Play International.²⁶³¹ Right to Play International will collaborate with UNRWA to create safe, inclusive and gender-responsive classrooms for Palestinian refugee children in the West Bank and Gaza.²⁶³²

Between 23 and 31 October 2018, the Governor General of Canada visited three West African nations, including Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, and Nigeria, to deepen Canada's relations with these states and reaffirm partnerships committed to promoting access to quality education.²⁶³³ As part of the visit, the Governor General visited a school in Burkina Faso to emphasize the importance of equitable and quality education for the country's youth.²⁶³⁴

On 6 November 2018, the Minister of International Development announced an additional CAD 50 million in funding, taken out of the CAD 400 million budget pledged at the Charlevoix G7 summit, for the Global Financing Facility through 2020.²⁶³⁵ It is an innovative financing mechanism that helps developing countries transform investment models in the health sector to benefit women and children and reduce barriers to accessing care, services, and education in order to ultimately reduce poverty.²⁶³⁶

On 13 November 2018, the Canadian government announced CAD 19.5 million through 2023 for gender-responsive education through Right to Play in Ghana, Mozambique, and Rwanda.²⁶³⁷ The

²⁶²⁹ Canada provides support to Palestinian refugees, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/10/canada-provides-support-to-palestinian-refugees.html>.

²⁶³⁰ Backgrounder — Canada's support for Palestinian refugees, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa). Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/10/canadas-support-for-palestinian-refugees.html>.

²⁶³¹ Canada provides support to Palestinian refugees, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 12 October 2018. Access Date: 17 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/10/canada-provides-support-to-palestinian-refugees.html>.

²⁶³² Backgrounder — Canada's support for Palestinian refugees, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa). Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/10/canadas-support-for-palestinian-refugees.html>.

²⁶³³ Governor General of Canada to visit Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, and Nigeria. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (Ottawa) 16 October 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/10/16/governor-general-canada-visit-burkina-faso-cote-divoire-and-nigeria>.

²⁶³⁴ Governor General of Canada to visit Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, and Nigeria. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (Ottawa) 16 October 2018. Access Date: 20 October 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/10/16/governor-general-canada-visit-burkina-faso-cote-divoire-and-nigeria>.

²⁶³⁵ Canada announces additional support for Global Financing Facility, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 6 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-additional-support-for-global-financing-facility.html>

²⁶³⁶ Canada announces additional support for Global Financing Facility, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 6 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-additional-support-for-global-financing-facility.html>

²⁶³⁷ Canada announces funding for projects in Rwanda, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa). Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-rwanda.html>.

project will address challenges in the education sector, including barriers to education for young girls.²⁶³⁸

On 16 November 2018, the Minister of Indigenous Services announced an investment of CAD 248 million in partnership with First Nations communities for new school infrastructure in four First Nation reserves, as well as major renovations to an existing school in northern Manitoba.²⁶³⁹ The new and upgraded facilities will ensure the delivery of quality education and reduce the need for students to move off-reserve in order to complete their education.²⁶⁴⁰

On 16 November 2018, the Minister of International Development announced CAD 23 million in funding for two initiatives that will help advance gender equality for women and girls in Ethiopia.²⁶⁴¹ One of the initiatives is Women's Voice and Leadership, which supports local women's organizations across Ethiopia to strengthen their capacity to promote gender equality and empower women and girls in their communities.²⁶⁴²

On 2 December 2018, Canada pledged CAD 50 million over three years to Education Cannot Wait as part of its initial Charlevoix G7 Summit commitment of CAD 400 million to reduce barriers to quality education for women and girls in conflict zones.²⁶⁴³ Education Cannot Wait addresses gaps in financing, capacity, and coordination in crisis situations to provide quality education for children.²⁶⁴⁴

Canada has fully complied on providing access for women, girls and in early stages of humanitarian response while supporting a safe space for children in schools, through inclusive and equitable education, which increases the accessibility and security for children. By investing in safe and quality education for Palestinian refugee children in the West Bank and Gaza, Canada has specifically targeted early stages of peacebuilding efforts in a conflict area. Domestically, Canada invested in improved education infrastructure for First Nations communities as well as a program for educators to address the safety risks of cannabis use in schools and arranged alternative school facilities for Gatineau students whose school had been structurally damaged by a recent storm.

Thus, Canada receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Emily Burton-Brown

²⁶³⁸ Canada announces funding for projects in Rwanda, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa). Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/canada-announces-funding-for-projects-in-rwanda.html>.

²⁶³⁹ Four new schools to be built in one of the largest infrastructure contracts ever awarded by First Nations in partnership with Indigenous Services Canada (Winnipeg) 16 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2018/11/four-new-schools-to-be-built-in-one-of-the-largest-infrastructure-contracts-ever-awarded-by-first-nations-in-partnership-with-indigenous-services-c.html>.

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²⁶⁴¹ Minister Bibeau concludes visit to Ethiopia by announcing initiatives to empower women and girls, Global Affairs Canada (Addis Ababa) 16 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/11/minister-bibeau-concludes-visit-to-ethiopia-by-announcing-initiatives-to-empower-women-and-girls.html>

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²⁶⁴³ About Education Cannot Wait, Global Affairs Canada. (Ottawa). Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/12/about-education-cannot-wait.html>.

²⁶⁴⁴ About Education Cannot Wait, Global Affairs Canada. (Ottawa). Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2018/12/about-education-cannot-wait.html>.

France: 0

France has partially complied to prioritizing improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 10 July 2018, the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), France's public development bank, allocated EUR323,248 to SIPAR, a Cambodian non-profit organization promoting reading and education access for all, which is the first half of the global EUR646,497 budget allocated for the SIPAR project.²⁶⁴⁵ This project is a reading and education program that gives access to libraries and education to factory workers, including women and children, in urban and rural areas.²⁶⁴⁶

On 10 July 2018, the AFD announced the creation of the Education League to develop a network of young ambassadors “strongly committed to engaging young people locally and internationally, with the implementation of civic service programs and international volunteering.”²⁶⁴⁷ This will have territorial relays of the league, educators, and supervisors working with trainers to promote a cohesive environment.²⁶⁴⁸

On 30 July 2018, the French government passed a law banning the use of smartphones and smart devices for children aged 3 to 15 years of age²⁶⁴⁹ in a move to create safer school environments and protect children from cyberbullying and violence.²⁶⁵⁰

On 30 August 2018, the AFD issued its strategic plan for 2018-2022 and announced that France would increase grant assistance to EUR1.3 billion in 2019 to reach 19 priority countries in Africa, of which investment in education and gender equality is a priority.²⁶⁵¹ Moreover, gender equality is set to be a central theme in the AFD's new strategy, with one of its five foundational commitments being “increasing access to education and promoting gender equality.”²⁶⁵²

On 13 September 2018, President Emmanuel Macron announced plans to open more daycare centres in disadvantaged areas in order to make education more equitable for all children. Moreover, funding will be given to schools to provide heavily subsidized meals in a push to make education accessible for all.²⁶⁵³

On 17 September 2018, the French government announced its intention to scrap 2,650 jobs in education, including teaching posts, in an attempt to reduce the number of public service workers.

²⁶⁴⁵ L'AFD soutient 23 nouveaux projets, Agence Française au Développement. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/ong-lafd-soutient-23-nouveaux-projets>.

²⁶⁴⁶ L'AFD soutient 23 nouveaux projets, Agence Française au Développement. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/ong-lafd-soutient-23-nouveaux-projets>.

²⁶⁴⁷ L'AFD soutient 23 nouveaux projets, Agence Française au Développement. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/ong-lafd-soutient-23-nouveaux-projets>.

²⁶⁴⁸ L'AFD soutient 23 nouveaux projets, Aide Française au Développement. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/fr/ong-lafd-soutient-23-nouveaux-projets>.

²⁶⁴⁹ France bans smartphones from schools, CNN 31 July 2018. Access Date: 1 December 2018. <https://www.cnn.com/2018/07/31/europe/france-smartphones-school-ban-intl/index.html>.

²⁶⁵⁰ What changes about schools in France from this September, The Local 3 September 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.thelocal.fr/20180903/what-changes-about-schools-in-france-from-this-september>.

²⁶⁵¹ Macron's development vision takes shape, Devex (Brussels) 11 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.devex.com/news/macron-s-development-vision-takes-shape-93375>.

²⁶⁵² The New AFD Group Strategy, Agence Française de Développement 3 September 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.afd.fr/en/new-afd-group-strategy>.

²⁶⁵³ More creches and €1 school lunches: Here's Macron's plan to fight poverty in France, The Local 13 September 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.thelocal.fr/20180913/how-macron-plans-to-fight-poverty-in-france>.

This proposal is intended only for secondary schools and colleges.²⁶⁵⁴ Approximately 1,800 secondary school teaching positions are expected to be cut.²⁶⁵⁵ For primary school, the government intends to create 1,800 jobs.²⁶⁵⁶

On 25 September 2018, France was one of the leaders of #LeaveNoGirlBehind meeting at the 73rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly, along with G7 members Canada and the United Kingdom.²⁶⁵⁷ In a joint statement, the three world leaders called for countries to improve girls' access to education internationally, as well as ensure 12 years of free, safe, and quality education. The statement, which emphasizes this action in “developing contexts and countries struggling with conflict,” outlines 11 resolutions to do so, including ensuring schools are safe places for learning, and increasing international, regional, national, and South-South cooperation to ensure gender equality in education.²⁶⁵⁸

As of 27 September 2018, France has pledged to increase its grants to less developed countries from USD10 billion to USD15 billion in 2020 to 2030, a considerable portion of which, President Macron said, would focus on the education of girls, particularly in African countries.²⁶⁵⁹

On 11 October 2018 at the 17th Summit of La Francophonie Yerevan, Armenia, France adopted a strategy for the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) to promote gender equality and the rights and empowerment of women and children. This strategy will be included in “all international solidarity and development policies of the OIF and its agencies.”²⁶⁶⁰

On 19 November 2018, the French Minister of State for Gender Equality Marlène Schiappa re-affirmed France's commitment to gender equality at the World Forum for Democracy, and has highlighted that France has already announced measures regarding “emotional and sexual education in schools.”²⁶⁶¹

On 4 December 2018, the Government of Togo, in partnership with the AFD, inaugurated drinking water wells and sanitation facilities for at least 69 cantons in the Savannah region, as part of the Project for the Improvement of Health Conditions in Schools and Rural Areas.²⁶⁶² The project

²⁶⁵⁴ Why is France getting rid of hundreds of teachers? The Local 17 September 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.thelocal.fr/20180917/why-is-france-getting-rid-of-hundreds-of-teachers>.

²⁶⁵⁵ France: education is no longer a priority for the government, Education International 18 September 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <https://www.ei-ie.org/en/detail/15972/france-education-is-no-longer-a-priority-for-the-government>.

²⁶⁵⁶ Why are teachers across France on strike? The Local 12 November 2018. Access Date: December 7 2018. <https://www.thelocal.fr/20181112/why-are-teachers-across-france-on-strike>.

²⁶⁵⁷ 12 years to break barriers and leave no girl behind: Countdown to 2030, Global Partnership for Education (New York) 25 September 2018. Access Date: 29 October 2018. <https://www.globalpartnership.org/event/12-years-break-barriers-and-leave-no-girl-behind-countdown-2030>.

²⁶⁵⁸ Countries Pledge to Take Action to Leave No Girl Behind, Global Citizen 11 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/leave-no-girl-behind/>.

²⁶⁵⁹ France Pledges to Increase Aid to Africa for Girl Child Education, Others, AllAfrica 27 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://allafrica.com/stories/201809270511.html>.

²⁶⁶⁰ France's International Strategy on Gender Equality (2018-2022), France Diplomatie. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/IMG/pdf/meae_strategie_-_en_cle076525.pdf.

²⁶⁶¹ Marlène Schiappa: gender equality, a priority for the French Chairmanship of the Council of Europe in 2019, Council of Europe (Strasbourg) 20 November 2018. Access Date: December 6 2018. <https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal/-/marlene-schiappa-gender-equality-a-priority-for-the-french-chairmanship-of-the-council-of-europe-in-2019>.

²⁶⁶² TOGO: Authorities inaugurate water and sanitation project in Savannahs, Afrik 21 4 December 2018. Access Date: December 7 2018. <https://www.afrik21.africa/en/togo-authorities-inaugurate-water-and-sanitation-project-in-savannahs/>.

includes hundreds of new boreholes and latrines built for schools.²⁶⁶³ The AFD was responsible for subsidizing the infrastructure.²⁶⁶⁴

France has made it clear that it prioritizes education for girls and women both at home and in developing countries but has not clarified on whether it will prioritize it in either the early stages of humanitarian response or peacebuilding. It has, also, confirmed its commitment to ensuring that schools are safe places for children.

Thus, France receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Ninar Fawal

Germany: 0

Germany has partially complied to prioritizing improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 9 June 2018, Germany along with the European Union, Canada, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank invested CAD3.8 billion to improving access and reducing barriers to quality education around the world.²⁶⁶⁵ Germany will invest EUR75 million itself.²⁶⁶⁶ This is an investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations.²⁶⁶⁷

On 18 September 2018, Germany reiterated its commitment towards assisting the Palestinian Refugees in the Near East, through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA).²⁶⁶⁸ The federal government had pledged to increase their financial assistance to EUR100 million, in order to ensure that the UNRWA would continue to provide children with an adequate education through schools.²⁶⁶⁹

On 4 October 2018, through the “German-Israeli Program on Cooperation in Vocational Education and Training,” both governments had verbally committed to providing more nourishing and

²⁶⁶³ TOGO: Authorities inaugurate water and sanitation project in Savannahs, Afrik 21 4 December 2018. Access Date: December 7 2018. <https://www.afrik21.africa/en/togo-authorities-inaugurate-water-and-sanitation-project-in-savannahs/>.

²⁶⁶⁴ TOGO: Authorities inaugurate water and sanitation project in Savannahs, Afrik 21 4 December 2018. Access Date: December 7 2018. <https://www.afrik21.africa/en/togo-authorities-inaugurate-water-and-sanitation-project-in-savannahs/>.

²⁶⁶⁵ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

²⁶⁶⁶ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

²⁶⁶⁷ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

²⁶⁶⁸ German assistance for UNRWA, Federal Foreign Office. 28 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/themen/humanitaerehilfe/german-assistance-for-unrwa/2142812>.

²⁶⁶⁹ German assistance for UNRWA, Federal Foreign Office. 28 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/themen/humanitaerehilfe/german-assistance-for-unrwa/2142812>.

nutrient-based food at local Israeli schools, in an attempt to improve the overall quality of life of young girls.²⁶⁷⁰

On 26 October 2018, the German government had strengthened its commitment towards reducing the tragedies amongst women and children in Yemen, by collaborating with a non-profit organization known as the Berghof Foundation.²⁶⁷¹ This was instigated in order to resume failed peace negotiations between the parties causing hardship upon the entirety of Yemen.²⁶⁷²

On 27 November 2018, during the Women Wage Peace International Congress, the Chancellor of Germany Angela Merkel prioritized women, security, and peace within Israel after Germany becomes a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council in 2019.²⁶⁷³ The following speech was made to support women during peace negotiations, as the Middle East had failed to include women during peacebuilding efforts.

Germany has continued to increase its commitments towards humanitarian responses and is attempting to establish access to quality education for girls and women in crisis situations. However, no significant contribution has been made towards the promotion of schools as safe spaces for children and advocating for women's and children's rights.

Thus, Germany has been awarded a score of 0.

Analyst: Saranngan Vaitbianathan

Italy: 0

Italy has partially complied to prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 1 August 2018, the governing Italian coalition introduced Bill 735 to enforce “perfect co-parenting,” whereby children of divorced parents will spend exactly the same amount of time with each parent.²⁶⁷⁴ Bill 735 further mandates that couples with children who seek a divorce must first attend couples’ mediation, which must be paid for out of pocket.²⁶⁷⁵ This stipulation reduces the ability of Italian women, particularly women economically dependent on their husbands, from obtaining a divorce.

²⁶⁷⁰ Joint Statement by the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Prime Minister of the State of Israel, German-Israeli Inter-Government Consultations (Jerusalem). 4 October 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/blob/228220/cfa39cadd63eaa7d8f3d6ec23f5147a9/160216-d-isr-kons-gem-erklarung-data.pdf>.

²⁶⁷¹ To ease suffering and support solutions: Germany’s work in Yemen. 26 October 2018. Access Date: 19 December 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen/jemen-node/germany-yemen/2155088>.

²⁶⁷² To ease suffering and support solutions: Germany’s work in Yemen. 26 October 2018. Access Date: 19 December 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen/jemen-node/germany-yemen/2155088>.

²⁶⁷³ Keynote speech by Minister of State Michelle Müntefering on the occasion of the Women Wage Peace International Congress “Removing Barriers to Middle East Peace” in Tel Aviv. 27 November 2018. Access Date: 19 December 2018. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/newsroom/news/muentefering-women-wage-peace-conference/2164956>.

²⁶⁷⁴ Legislature 18th — draft law n. 735, Senato della Repubblica (Rome). 1 August 2018. Access Date: December 11 2018. <https://www.senato.it/japp/bgt/showdoc/18/DDLPRES/0/1071882/index.html>.

²⁶⁷⁵ Legislature 18th — draft law n. 735, Senato della Repubblica (Rome). 1 August 2018. Access Date: December 11 2018. <https://www.senato.it/japp/bgt/showdoc/18/DDLPRES/0/1071882/index.html>.

On 3 September 2018, the Italian Minister for the Interior, Matteo Salvini, announced the allocation of EUR2.5 million to 15 beneficiary cities under the “#ScuoleSicure” program.²⁶⁷⁶ The program aims to promote safety in schools through improved video surveillance, information campaigns, and increased access to police resources.²⁶⁷⁷

On 3 September 2018, the Government of Italy participated in the High-Level Conference on the Lake Chad region in Berlin, where it affirmed a USD17 million allocation for crisis response and development initiatives across four countries.²⁶⁷⁸ The conference emphasized the need for enhanced protection against gender-based violence for women and girls.²⁶⁷⁹

On 10 September 2018, the Italian Minister for Education, University and Research, Marco Bussetti, announced the commencement of a joint initiative between the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, the Italian Space Agency, and the National Research Council for the satellite mapping of 40,000 school buildings across Italy.²⁶⁸⁰

On 11 September 2018, the Government of Italy made a EUR500,000 contribution to the World Food Program for the provision of daily meals to schoolchildren in Mali.²⁶⁸¹

On 21 September 2018, the Italian Minister for Education, University and Research, Marco Bussetti, allocated EUR 3.6 million for the reconstruction of three school buildings affected by the August earthquake in Molise.²⁶⁸²

On 25 September 2018, the Italian Minister for Education, University and Research, Marco Bussetti, pledged EUR7 billion for the construction and redevelopment of school buildings in the upcoming budget, and established frameworks to ensure a faster allocation of this funding to local authorities.²⁶⁸³

²⁶⁷⁶ Fra poco riaprono le SCUOLE dei nostri figli, sto lavorando perché per gli spacciatori di morte finisca la pacchia. Con #ScuoleSicure, diverse città italiane avranno a disposizione 2,5 milioni di euro per incrementare i controlli, Twitter (Italy). 2 September 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018.

<https://twitter.com/matteosalvinimi/status/103727191232444161>.

²⁶⁷⁷ Operazione "Scuole sicure" anche a Catania: Salvini lancia controlli antidroga, CataniaToday/Itynews (Catania). 3 September 2018. Access Date: 1 November 2018. <http://www.cataniatoday.it/cronaca/droga-scuola-salvini-operazione-3-settembre-2018.html>.

²⁶⁷⁸ High-level Conference on the Lake Chad Region: Outcome Statement by the Co-hosts, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin). 4 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://lakechadberlin.de/wp-eb6f4-content/uploads/2018/09/ENG-001-CO-HOSTS-OUTCOME-STATEMENT-FINAL-2.pdf>.

²⁶⁷⁹ High-level Conference on the Lake Chad Region: Outcome Statement by the Co-hosts, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin). 4 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://lakechadberlin.de/wp-eb6f4-content/uploads/2018/09/ENG-001-CO-HOSTS-OUTCOME-STATEMENT-FINAL-2.pdf>.

²⁶⁸⁰ Minister Bussetti: satellite mapping of 40,000 school buildings now underway with ASI and CNR, Ministero dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca via ResearchItaly (Rome). 9 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.researchitaly.it/en/news/minister-bussetti-satellite-mapping-of-40-000-school-buildings-now-underway-with-asi-and-cnr/>

²⁶⁸¹ Italy allocates 500 thousand Euros for school meals in Mali”, Onultalia (Rome). 11 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <http://www.onultalia.com/2018/09/11/italy-allocates-500-thousand-euros-for-school-meals-in-mali/>.

²⁶⁸² Il ministro Bussetti stanziava 3milioni e 600mila euro per le tre scuole molisane colpite dal sisma, Gazzetta Molisana (Molisana). 21 September 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018. <http://www.gazzettamolisana.com/il-ministro-bussetti-stanzia-3milioni-e-600mila-euro-per-le-tre-scuole-molisane-colpite-dal-sisma.html>.

²⁶⁸³ Interview to the Associazione Nazionale Comuni Italiani. Marco Bussetti, Italian Minister for Education, University and Research (Rome). 25 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <http://www.anci.it/index.cfm?layout=dettaglio&IdSez=821213&IdDett=64694>.

On 28 September 2018, the Government of Italy implemented a EUR3.5 million joint initiative with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women for the economic participation of women in Honduras, Guatemala, and El Salvador.²⁶⁸⁴

On 1 October 2018, the Government of Italy made a EUR1 million contribution to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, with the purpose of providing Palestinian refugee children in Syria with access to education and psychosocial support.²⁶⁸⁵ This contribution also provides training to teachers and parents on gender-based violence.²⁶⁸⁶

On 22 November 2018, Italy's Presidency of the Council of Ministers Department for Equal Opportunities signed a memorandum of understanding with the Bank of Italy and the Italian Companies and Exchange Commission, establishing an inter-institutional program for data collection and research concerning women's participation in the administration and control of Italian companies, effective 1 January 2019.²⁶⁸⁷

On 24 November 2018, Italian Undersecretary for the Presidency of the Council of Ministers with responsibility for Equal Opportunities and Young People, Vincenzo Spadafora, announced the launch of the “#lapartitaditutti” initiative.²⁶⁸⁸ It is a media campaign for the prevention and tackling of violence against women and domestic abuse.²⁶⁸⁹ The initiative seeks to challenge stereotypes and encourage women and girls to speak out in difficult or isolated situations, emphasizing the importance of educating young persons in combating violence against women.²⁶⁹⁰

On 24 November 2018, Italian Undersecretary for the Presidency of the Council of Ministers with responsibility for Equal Opportunities and Young People, Vincenzo Spadafora, pledged EUR33

²⁶⁸⁴ AICS e UN Women lanciano il progetto “Empowerment economico delle donne in El Salvador,” Onultalia (San Salvador). 28 September 2018. Access date: 19 October 2018. <http://www.onultalia.com/2018/09/28/aics-e-un-women-lanciano-il-progetto-empowerment-economico-delle-donne-in-el-salvador/>.

²⁶⁸⁵ Da Cooperazione contributo di un milione a Unrwa per rifugiati palestinesi in Siria, Onultalia (Rome). 1 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <http://www.onultalia.com/2018/10/01/da-cooperazione-contributo-di-un-milione-a-unrwa-per-rifugiati-palestinesi-in-siria/>.

²⁶⁸⁶ Da Cooperazione contributo di un milione a Unrwa per rifugiati palestinesi in Siria, Onultalia (Rome). 1 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <http://www.onultalia.com/2018/10/01/da-cooperazione-contributo-di-un-milione-a-unrwa-per-rifugiati-palestinesi-in-siria/>.

²⁶⁸⁷ Al via dal 2019 l'Osservatorio inter-istituzionale sulla presenza femminile al vertice delle società. Firmato il Protocollo d'intesa tra Dipartimento per le Pari Opportunità, Consob e Banca d'Italia, Dipartimento per le Pari Opportunità Press Release (Rome). 22 November 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018. www.pariopportunita.gov.it/news/al-via-dal-2019-losservatorio-inter-istituzionale-sulla-presenza-femminile-al-vertice-delle-societa/.

²⁶⁸⁸ La violenza sulle donne è #lapartitaditutti, al via la campagna e nuova indagine Ipsos sulla percezione della disparità di genere, Mr. Vincenzo Spadafora (Rome). 24 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <http://www.governo.it/articolo/la-violenza-sulle-donne-lapartitaditutti/10420>.

²⁶⁸⁹ La violenza sulle donne è #lapartitaditutti, al via la campagna e nuova indagine Ipsos sulla percezione della disparità di genere, Mr. Vincenzo Spadafora (Rome). 24 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <http://www.governo.it/articolo/la-violenza-sulle-donne-lapartitaditutti/10420>.

²⁶⁹⁰ #lapartitaditutti, la campagna contro la violenza sulle donne, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri Press Release (Rome). 24 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <http://www.governo.it/media/lapartitaditutti-la-campagna-contro-la-violenza-sulle-donne/10422>.

million to combat gender-based violence against women and girls.²⁶⁹¹ Further, Spadafora established a victim's fund for female victims of gender-based violence.²⁶⁹²

On 5 December 2018, the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation announced, in unison with UNICEF and the Tunisian Ministries of Health and Education, a program to improve sanitary conditions and practices of children and adolescents in Tunisian primary schools.²⁶⁹³

While Italy has improved access to quality education for children in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts, in addition supporting schools as safe spaces for children, Italy has not consistently prioritized women and girls in its initiatives both at home and abroad.

Thus, Italy receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Spenser Borrie

Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied to prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 9 June 2018, Japan, along with the European Union, Germany, Canada, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank invested CAD3.8 billion to improve access and reduce barriers to quality education around the world.²⁶⁹⁴ This is an investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations.²⁶⁹⁵

On 9 June 2018, Japan allocated USD200 million for girl's and women's quality education, including in conflict-ridden regions.²⁶⁹⁶

On 24 July 2018, government spokesman Yoshihide Suga announced that the Japanese Government would ensure that all schools are equipped with air conditioners by the following summer to protect

²⁶⁹¹ La violenza sulle donne è #lapartitaditutti, al via la campagna e nuova indagine Ipsos sulla percezione della disparità di genere, Mr. Vincenzo Spadafora (Rome). 24 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <http://www.governo.it/articolo/la-violenza-sulle-donne-lapartitaditutti/10420>.

²⁶⁹² La violenza sulle donne è #lapartitaditutti, al via la campagna e nuova indagine Ipsos sulla percezione della disparità di genere, Mr. Vincenzo Spadafora (Rome). 24 November 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. <http://www.governo.it/articolo/la-violenza-sulle-donne-lapartitaditutti/10420>.

²⁶⁹³ ICS e UNICEF in Tunisia: salute bambini passa anche dalla buona pratica di lavarsi le mani, Onultalia (Tunis). 5 December 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018: <http://www.onultalia.com/2018/12/05/aics-e-unicef-in-tunisia-salute-bambini-passa-anche-dalla-buona-pratica-di-lavarsi-le-mani/>.

²⁶⁹⁴ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (La Malbaie). 9 June 2018. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

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the lives of schoolchildren.²⁶⁹⁷ This commitment is in response to the unprecedented heat wave that swept across Japan in July 2018, highlighting the inadequate climate control in Japanese schools.²⁶⁹⁸

On 4 August 2018, the Japanese Education Minister, Yoshimasa Hayashi, ordered Tokyo Medical University to disclose the results of the university's investigation of administrators, who allegedly lowered exam scores of female applicants, so as to investigate gender discrimination in Japanese medical schools.²⁶⁹⁹

On 10 August 2018, the Japanese Education Ministry requested all private and public medical schools to assess their admission procedures for possible discrimination against female applicants.²⁷⁰⁰ The ministry also evaluated the gender ratio of successful applicants from the previous six months to identify recent cases of gender discrimination in medical schools.²⁷⁰¹

On 10 August 2018, the Japanese Education Ministry reported that a quarter of Japan's schools have dangerous external walls.²⁷⁰² The ministry plans to use state subsidies from the 2019 budget to repair or remove dangerous walls to ensure the safety of school children.²⁷⁰³

On 2 October 2018, the Prime Minister of Japan, Shinzo Abe, reduced the number of women in his cabinet to one.²⁷⁰⁴ This cabinet reshuffle comes only a few months after the Japanese Legislator passed a bill to increase women's participation in government.²⁷⁰⁵

On 12 October 2018, Japan announced funding of buses exclusively for women and children in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa region of Pakistan.²⁷⁰⁶ These buses are called "sakura buses," and provide safe transportation for women who are vulnerable to sexual assault and harassment on public

²⁶⁹⁷ 'Unprecedented' Japan heatwave kills 65 in one week and leaves 23,000 in hospital, The Telegraph (London). 24 July 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2018/07/24/unprecedented-japan-heatwave-kills-65-one-week-leaves-23000/>.

²⁶⁹⁸ 'Unprecedented' Japan heatwave kills 65 in one week and leaves 23,000 in hospital, The Telegraph (London). 24 July 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2018/07/24/unprecedented-japan-heatwave-kills-65-one-week-leaves-23000/>.

²⁶⁹⁹ Tokyo Medical University faces government pressure to quickly disclose results of sex discrimination probe, The Japan Times (Tokyo). 4 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2018/08/04/national/japan-urges-speedy-probe-discrimination-women-tokyo-medical-university/#.W8pWHEtKiUk>.

²⁷⁰⁰ Japan launches unprecedented probe into gender discrimination after Tokyo med school excludes women, Dawn (Karachi). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.awn.com/news/1426178>.

²⁷⁰¹ Japan launches unprecedented probe into gender discrimination after Tokyo med school excludes women, Dawn (Karachi). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.awn.com/news/1426178>.

²⁷⁰² Post-quake survey finds quarter of Japan's schools have dangerous external walls, The Japan Times (Tokyo). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2018/08/10/national/post-quake-survey-finds-quarter-japans-schools-dangerous-external-walls/#.W8qMFUtKiUm>.

²⁷⁰³ Post-quake survey finds quarter of Japan's schools have dangerous external walls, The Japan Times (Tokyo). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2018/08/10/national/post-quake-survey-finds-quarter-japans-schools-dangerous-external-walls/#.W8qMFUtKiUm>.

²⁷⁰⁴ Inauguration of the Reshuffled Fourth Abe Cabinet, Prime Minister of Japan and his Cabinet (Tokyo). 2 October 2018. Access Date: 11 December 2018. https://japan.kantei.go.jp/98_abe/actions/201810/_00003.html.

²⁷⁰⁵ Draft Law on Promotion of Gender Equality in Politics, Japanese House of Representatives (Tokyo). 30 August 2018. Access Date: 11 December 2018.

http://www.shugiin.go.jp/internet/itdb_gian.nsf/html/gian/honbun/houan/g19001060.htm.

²⁷⁰⁶ 'Sakura Buses' for Women in Pakistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo). 12 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/page22e_000857.html.

transportation.²⁷⁰⁷ The sakura buses aim to help women feel safe to commute to school or work, so as to increase the mobility and participation of women in Pakistani society.²⁷⁰⁸

Japan has fully complied with prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for women and girls in crisis situations. Japan has taken action to intervene in early stages of humanitarian response and in peacebuilding efforts while ensuring spaces for girls in schools.

Thus, Japan receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Collin Xia

United Kingdom: +1

The United Kingdom has fully complied to prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 1 July 2018, the United Kingdom's Department for Education announced a new GBP6.5 million program aimed at supporting children with special educational needs and children from disadvantaged backgrounds who are at risk of falling behind in reading, writing, and language skills.²⁷⁰⁹

On 10 August 2018, UK's International Development Secretary Penny Mordaunt announced that Tanzania's education program will receive GBP41.6 million to improve "quality of education in every primary and lower secondary school in Tanzania."²⁷¹⁰ Young women will be empowered to take advantage of their educational opportunities to contribute to the economic growth of their communities.²⁷¹¹

On 30 August 2018, the Government of the United Kingdom announced funding for the "Leave No Girl Behind" initiative that aims to help Kenyan girls to go back to school.²⁷¹² This initiative will support up to 5,000 Kenyan girls in their educational endeavours.²⁷¹³ It will tackle common barriers to girls' education and give access to those who are impoverished and lack access to education.²⁷¹⁴

²⁷⁰⁷ 'Sakura Buses' for Women in Pakistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo). 12 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/page22e_000857.html.

²⁷⁰⁸ 'Sakura Buses' for Women in Pakistan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo). 12 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/oda/page22e_000857.html.

²⁷⁰⁹ Multi-million pound fund to support disadvantaged children in the early years, GOV.UK (London). 1 July 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/multi-million-pound-fund-to-support-disadvantaged-children-in-the-early-years>.

²⁷¹⁰ New UK aid package will improve the quality of education in every primary and lower secondary school in Tanzania, GOV.UK (London). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 5 September 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-package-will-improve-the-quality-of-education-in-every-primary-and-lower-secondary-school-in-tanzania>.

²⁷¹¹ New UK aid package will improve the quality of education in every primary and lower secondary school in Tanzania, GOV.UK (London). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 5 September 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-package-will-improve-the-quality-of-education-in-every-primary-and-lower-secondary-school-in-tanzania>.

²⁷¹² UK announces major investments in future of African youth through education and voluntary family planning, GOV.UK (London). 10 August 2018. Access Date: 5 September 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-announces-major-investments-in-future-of-african-youth-through-education-and-voluntary-family-planning>.

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On 3 September 2018, the Government of the United Kingdom committed USD186 million for crisis response and development initiatives across four countries in Africa. The conference emphasized the need for enhanced protection against gender-based violence for women and girls.²⁷¹⁵

On 4 September 2018, the Government of the United Kingdom announced an aid package for Palestinians through the UN Relief and Work Agency (UNRWA) to help improve access to health care and education.²⁷¹⁶ GBP7 million will be added to the United Kingdom's contribution to UNRWA, which will now total GBP38.5 million for the establishment of "an essential humanitarian and stabilising force in the Middle East, educating hundreds of thousands of children every year."²⁷¹⁷

On 8 September 2018, the United Kingdom's Department of Education and Government Equalities Office allocated GBP4.4 million for an online application which allows for children to report instances of bullying or cyber-bullying in schools.²⁷¹⁸

On 26 September 2018, the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Theresa May, announced 9 new projects to support access to quality education for up to 171,723 marginalized girls, including 13,146 girls with disabilities, in Ghana, Somalia, Nepal, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, and Malawi.²⁷¹⁹ The projects constitute the second phase of the Department for International Development's Girls Education "Challenge" program.²⁷²⁰

On 26 September 2018, the United Kingdom's International Development Secretary, Penny Mordaunt, announced a GBP7.8 million investment to improve education data and analysis, to help better understand the UK's aid priorities and track its progress towards Sustainable Development Goals.²⁷²¹

On 27 September 2018, the United Kingdom's Minister for Human Rights and the United Nations, Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon, co-chaired an event under the UN General Assembly with Afghanistan and Norway and called for an increase in the participation of women in peace building and conflict resolution.²⁷²²

²⁷¹⁵ High-level Conference on the Lake Chad Region: Outcome Statement by the Co-hosts, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin). 4 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://lakechadberlin.de/wp-eb6f4-content/uploads/2018/09/ENG-001-CO-HOSTS-OUTCOME-STATEMENT-FINAL-2.pdf>.

²⁷¹⁶ New UK aid package to meet immediate needs of Palestinians through UN Relief and Works Agency, GOV.UK (London). 4 September 2018. Access Date: 6 September 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-package-to-meet-immediate-needs-of-palestinians-through-un-relief-and-works-agency>.

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²⁷¹⁸ Thousands more children to benefit from anti-bullying app, GOV.UK (London). 8 September 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/thousands-more-children-to-benefit-from-anti-bullying-app>.

²⁷¹⁹ UK leads calls to reach most marginalised girls with quality education, GOV.UK (London). 26 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-leads-calls-to-reach-most-marginalised-girls-with-quality-education>.

²⁷²⁰ UK leads calls to reach most marginalised girls with quality education, GOV.UK (London), 26 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-leads-calls-to-reach-most-marginalised-girls-with-quality-education>.

²⁷²¹ UK leads calls to reach most marginalised girls with quality education, GOV.UK (London). 26 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-leads-calls-to-reach-most-marginalised-girls-with-quality-education>.

²⁷²² Minister calls for women to be included in peacebuilding process, GOV.UK (London). 27 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/minister-calls-for-women-to-be-included-in-peacebuilding-process>.

On 3 October 2018, the United Kingdom's Department for International Development allocated GBP10 million, in partnership with the United Nations' Children's Fund, to provide digital registration for up to 400,000 children in the Horn of Africa, to guard them against the risk of slavery, human trafficking, underage marriage, or military service.²⁷²³

On 3 October 2018, the United Kingdom's Department for International Development announced a GBP26 million initiative to combat child labour and child sex trafficking across six Asian countries, in partnership with the United Nations' Children's Fund, the International Labour Organization, and the Institute of Development Studies.²⁷²⁴

On 3 October 2018, the United Kingdom's Department for International Development announced a GBP12 million fund set to provide up to 400,000 vulnerable individuals in conflict-ridden parts of Africa with alternate income opportunities and skills training to recognize disguised risks of trafficking.²⁷²⁵

On 16 October 2018, the Government of the United Kingdom announced a three-year GBP96.5 million commitment to UNICEF to screen up to GBP2.2 million young children in Yemen for malnutrition, with urgent treatment provided for 70,000 of the most vulnerable.²⁷²⁶

On 20 October 2018, the United Kingdom's Communities Secretary, James Brokenshire, announced a GBP5 million fund to promote early intervention practices among teachers, community workers, and childcare professionals for youth or families at risk of the gang and knife violence.²⁷²⁷

On 15 November 2018, the United Kingdom's Minister for Women and Equalities, Penny Mordaunt, announced that the Government Equalities Office will join the United Kingdom's Cabinet Office.²⁷²⁸ This change ensures that gender equality is at the forefront of all the government's policymaking.

On 23 November 2018, the United Kingdom's Department for International Development Secretary, Penny Mordaunt, launched a GBP50 million initiative to combat female genital mutilation in Africa, which includes support for "women's organizations and girls' clubs in schools where [women and girls] can discuss the issue in safe spaces."²⁷²⁹

The United Kingdom has fully complied with prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for women and girls, specifically in Bangladesh and Kenya, in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

²⁷²³ UK leads the charge in eradicating modern slavery, GOV.UK (London). 3 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-leads-the-charge-in-eradicating-modern-slavery>.

²⁷²⁴ UK leads the charge in eradicating modern slavery, GOV.UK (London). 3 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-leads-the-charge-in-eradicating-modern-slavery>.

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²⁷²⁶ Minister for the Middle East, Alistair Burt, announces UK support to help screen, prevent and tackle malnutrition in Yemen, GOV.UK (London). 16 October 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-package-to-provide-life-saving-help-to-millions-of-yemeni-children-at-growing-risk-of-famine>.

²⁷²⁷ £5 million fund to deter young people from gang and knife crime, GOV.UK (London). 20 October 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/5-million-fund-to-deter-young-people-from-gang-and-knife-crime>.

²⁷²⁸ Government Equalities Office to Join Cabinet Office, GOV.UK (London). 16 November 2018. Access Date: 19 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/government-equalities-office-to-join-cabinet-office>.

²⁷²⁹ UK aid makes largest ever investment to help end FGM worldwide by 2030, GOV.UK (London). 23 November 2018. Access Date: 8 December 2018. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-makes-largest-ever-investment-to-help-end-fgm-worldwide-by-2030>.

Thus, the United Kingdom receives a score of +1.

Analysts: Spenser Borrie

United States: -1

The United States has failed to comply with prioritizing gender equality and improving access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 11 June 2018, the United States Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights (OCR) announced an investigation of the University of South California’s “handling of reports of sexual harassment against former employee Dr. George Tyndall.”²⁷³⁰ The OCR will assess the university’s response to sexual harassment complaints from the 1990s that were not fully investigated until 2016 and review the university’s handling of civil rights issues.²⁷³¹

On 18 July 2018, the National Threat Assessment Center published an operational guide for preventing targeted school violence, which details threat assessment models to identify potential student shooters, so schools may “develop comprehensive targeted violence prevention plans for conducting threat assessments in schools.”²⁷³²

On 3 August 2018, the United States Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos awarded USD138,213 to Marshall County School District in Kentucky to support recovery efforts following the 23 January 2018 shooting at Marshall County High School.²⁷³³ These funds will be used to hire and compensate staff.²⁷³⁴

On 14 August 2018, Secretary DeVos allocated USD359.8 million in new federal assistance to 20 states and the U.S. Virgin Islands under the Temporary Emergency Impact Aid for Displaced Students program.²⁷³⁵ This program is used by the Department of Education to help fund the

²⁷³⁰ Office for Civil Rights Launches Investigation into University of Southern California’s Handling of Sexual Harassment Claims, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 11 June 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/office-civil-rights-launches-investigation-university-southern-californias-handling-sexual-harassment-claims>.

²⁷³¹ Office for Civil Rights Launches Investigation into University of Southern California’s Handling of Sexual Harassment Claims, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 11 June 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/office-civil-rights-launches-investigation-university-southern-californias-handling-sexual-harassment-claims>.

²⁷³² Enhancing School Safety Using a Threat Assessment Model: An Operational Guide for Preventing Targeted School Violence, National Threat Assessment Center (Washington D.C.). 18 July 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/18_0711_USSS_NTAC-Enhancing-School-Safety-Brief.pdf.

²⁷³³ Kentucky School District Awarded More Than \$138,000 for Recovery Efforts Following School Shooting, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 3 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/kentucky-school-district-awarded-more-138000-recovery-efforts-following-school-shooting>.

²⁷³⁴ Kentucky School District Awarded More Than \$138,000 for Recovery Efforts Following School Shooting, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 3 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/kentucky-school-district-awarded-more-138000-recovery-efforts-following-school-shooting>.

²⁷³⁵ Secretary DeVos Announces New Federal Assistance for the Education of Displaced Students, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 14 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-announces-new-federal-assistance-education-displaced-students>.

education of students displaced by natural disasters such as Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria or the 2017 California wildfires.²⁷³⁶

On 21 August 2018, Secretary DeVos hosted a meeting with the Federal Commission on School Safety to address the issue of cyberbullying on social media, and how it may promote violence and endanger student safety.²⁷³⁷

On 28 August 2018, Secretary DeVos announced USD63 million in new federal assistance for 47 institutions of higher education across America.²⁷³⁸ The funding will go to institutions and students in areas directly affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria or the 2017 California wildfires.²⁷³⁹

On 28 September 2018, Secretary DeVos appointed five new members to the National Assessment Governing Board.²⁷⁴⁰ Three of the five new members are women leaders in education from across the United States.²⁷⁴¹ These appointments increase female participation and leadership in the education system.²⁷⁴²

On 2 October 2018, Secretary DeVos announced USD1,983,597 in funding for low-income North Carolinian students who were impacted by Hurricane Florence.²⁷⁴³ More than USD800,000 was specifically allocated to South Carolinian students for similar relief.²⁷⁴⁴

²⁷³⁶ Secretary DeVos Announces New Federal Assistance for the Education of Displaced Students, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 14 August 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-announces-new-federal-assistance-education-displaced-students>.

²⁷³⁷ Federal Commission on School Safety Meeting to Focus on the Effects of Entertainment, Media, Cyberbullying and Social Media on Violence and Student Safety, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 20 June 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/federal-commission-school-safety-meeting-focus-effects-entertainment-media-cyberbullying-and-social-media-violence-and-student-safety>.

²⁷³⁸ Secretary DeVos Announces Emergency Assistance to Institutions of Higher Education, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 28 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-announces-emergency-assistance-institutions-higher-education>.

²⁷³⁹ Secretary DeVos Announces Emergency Assistance to Institutions of Higher Education, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 28 August 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-announces-emergency-assistance-institutions-higher-education>.

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²⁷⁴² U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos Names New Members to National Assessment Governing Board, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 28 September 2018. Access Date: 19 October 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/us-secretary-education-betsy-devos-names-new-members-national-assessment-governing-board-0>.

²⁷⁴³ North Carolina Institutions Awarded Nearly \$2 Million in Grants for Low-Income Students Impacted by Hurricane Florence, U.S. Department of Education (Washington D.C.). 2 October 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/north-carolina-institutions-awarded-nearly-2-million-grants-low-income-students-impacted-hurricane-florence>.

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The United States of America has not complied to prioritizing improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

Thus, the United States receives a score of -1.

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European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied to prioritizing improved access to quality education for girls and women in the early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts while supporting schools as safe spaces for children.

On 9 June 2018, European Union, along with Canada, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the World Bank invested CAD3.8 billion to improving access and reducing barriers to quality education around the world.²⁷⁴⁵The European Union will invest EUR72 million over three years.²⁷⁴⁶ This is an investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations.²⁷⁴⁷

On 12 July 2018, the European Commission announced its Annual Action Programme for Myanmar and Burma for 2018.²⁷⁴⁸ The European Union will contribute EUR221 million to the programme.²⁷⁴⁹ The programme aimed to develop education in Myanmar through teacher training, education reform, and financial transparency.²⁷⁵⁰ The objective of this is to “equitably enhance the education and skills base among Myanmar/Burma youth.”²⁷⁵¹

On 3 September 2018, the European Commission announced a EUR138 million aid package for humanitarian and development assistance in the Lake Chad region.²⁷⁵² A portion of the development

²⁷⁴⁵ Canada and partners announce historic investment in education for women and girls in crisis and conflict situations, Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada (La Malbaie) 9 June 2018. Access Date: 4 September 2018. <https://pm.gc.ca/eng/news/2018/06/09/canada-and-partners-announce-historic-investment-education-women-and-girls-crisis>.

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²⁷⁴⁸ Annual Action Programme 2018 Part 1 in favour of Myanmar/Burma, EU International Cooperation and Development (Brussels) 12 July 2018. Access Date: 7 September 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/annual-action-programme-2018-part-1-favour-myanmarburma_en.

²⁷⁴⁹ Annual Action Programme 2018 Part 1 in favour of Myanmar/Burma, EU International Cooperation and Development (Brussels) 12 July 2018. Access Date: 7 September 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/annual-action-programme-2018-part-1-favour-myanmarburma_en.

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²⁷⁵² EU releases €138 million in humanitarian and development funding for Africa's Lake Chad region, EU International Cooperation and Development (Brussels) 3 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/eu-releases-eu138-million-humanitarian-and-development-funding-africas-lake-chad_en.

assistance funding will go towards advancing existing programs in North East Nigeria by strengthening girls' education and reintegration efforts.²⁷⁵³

On 24 September 2018, the European Union was represented among a coalition of leaders launching "Generation Unlimited" at the United Nations General Assembly.²⁷⁵⁴ This partnership builds on existing programmes with the goal of getting every young person into quality education, training or employment by 2030, but does not specifically target girls.²⁷⁵⁵

On 27 September 2018, the European Union and the United Nations released a joint statement reaffirming a longstanding partnership supporting key development goals.²⁷⁵⁶ The first priority area identified is promoting gender equality, including in the realm of quality education and training.²⁷⁵⁷

On 17 October 2018, the European Union expanded on the 2017 commitment to provide assistance to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh with an additional EUR15 million.²⁷⁵⁸ This humanitarian assistance will go towards the provision of basic necessities for medium-term needs, including education.²⁷⁵⁹

On 13 November 2018, the European Parliament adopted a report on development assistance in the field of education.²⁷⁶⁰ This report affirmed a commitment to address improved education for girls and the specific barriers girls face in accessing education in conflict zones and outlined a policy framework to move forward.²⁷⁶¹

²⁷⁵³ EU releases €138 million in humanitarian and development funding for Africa's Lake Chad region, EU International Cooperation and Development (Brussels) 3 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/eu-releases-eu138-million-humanitarian-and-development-funding-africas-lake-chad_en.

²⁷⁵⁴ World leaders unite under new initiative to provide quality education and training for young people, European Union External Action (Brussels) 21 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/un-new-york/50940/world-leaders-unite-under-new-initiative-provide-quality-education-and-training-young-people_en.

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²⁷⁵⁶ Joint Communique between the European Union and the United Nations: a renewed partnership in development, European Commission (New York) 27 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_STATEMENT-18-5927_en.htm.

²⁷⁵⁷ Joint Communique between the European Union and the United Nations: a renewed partnership in development, European Commission (New York) 27 September 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_STATEMENT-18-5927_en.htm.

²⁷⁵⁸ Commission delivers on its pledge to support Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh, EU International Cooperation and Development (Brussels) 17 October 2018. Access Date: 18 October 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/commission-delivers-its-pledge-support-rohingya-refugees-bangladesh_en.

²⁷⁵⁹ The EU pledges additional 30 million for the Rohingya crisis at Geneva donors' conference, EU International Cooperation and Development (Geneva) 23 October 2017. Access Date: 18 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-17-4086_en.html.

²⁷⁶⁰ European Parliament resolution of 13 November 2018 on EU development assistance in the field of education, European Parliament (Strasbourg) 13 November 2018. Access Date: 4 December 2018. <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&reference=P8-TA-2018-0441&format=XML&language=EN>.

²⁷⁶¹ European Parliament resolution of 13 November 2018 on EU development assistance in the field of education, European Parliament (Strasbourg) 13 November 2018. Access Date: 4 December 2018. <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&reference=P8-TA-2018-0441&format=XML&language=EN>.

On 19 November 2018, the European Commission released a statement in advance of the Universal Children’s Day to reiterate commitment to protecting and promoting children’s rights globally.²⁷⁶² This commitment included the provision of access to safe and quality education for both boys and girls.

On 23 November 2018, the European Union allocated EUR36 million to education reform policies in Kyrgyzstan.²⁷⁶³ The funding will support Kyrgyzstan authorities in their efforts to promote equitable access to quality education, regardless of gender or ethnic background.²⁷⁶⁴

On 26 November 2018, the European Commission announced an additional EUR5 million in funding to support projects of the Nobel Peace Prize laureates.²⁷⁶⁵ Of this funding package, EUR4 million will support the Panzi Hospital in the Democratic Republic of Congo that serves victims of sexual violence, which includes providing access to education for girl victims of sexual abuse and forced labour.²⁷⁶⁶

On 26 November 2018, EU Member States endorsed the policy framework “Communication on education in emergencies and protracted crises” through its “Council Conclusions,” which welcomes the European Commission’s to reach 10 percent of the EU’s humanitarian budget for education in emergencies in 2019.²⁷⁶⁷ The Council Conclusions specifically takes note of the fact that “girls are notably more disadvantaged, being 2.5 times more likely to be out-of-school in affected countries,” and recognises that “emergencies and protracted crises have a disproportionate effect on the education of women and girls. The conclusions identify improved access, inclusion and equity as a key point of action, in order to “support the gender-specific needs of children and young people, especially with regard to education and protection, with special focus on the education of girls and young women, in line with the Gender Action Plan 2016-2020.²⁷⁶⁸ Additionally, education services need to respond to the needs of girls and boys through measures such as prioritising sex-segregated toilets in the rehabilitation of schools, to address the safety concerns of students and parents.

On 27 November 2018, the European Union committed to a EUR30 million programme to support displaced communities in Yemen.²⁷⁶⁹ The support will contribute to the development of Yemen and will help provide basic services, including education, to internally displaced populations.

²⁷⁶² Statement by the European Commission on the occasion of Universal Children’s Day, European Commission 19 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/statement-european-commission-occasion-universal-childrens-day_en.

²⁷⁶³ EU boosts its support to education reforms in Kyrgyzstan, European Commission 23 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/eu-boosts-its-support-education-reforms-kyrgyzstan_en.

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²⁷⁶⁷ Council Conclusions on Education in Emergencies and Protracted Crises (Brussels) 26 November 2018. Access Date: 14 February 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/echo/sites/.../20181126_-_council_conclusions_-_eie_final.pdf

²⁷⁶⁸ Council Conclusions on Education in Emergencies and Protracted Crises (Brussels) 26 November 2018. Access Date: 14 February 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/echo/sites/.../20181126_-_council_conclusions_-_eie_final.pdf

²⁷⁶⁹ EU steps up support to displaced and crisis-affected communities in Yemen, European Commission 27 November 2018. Access Date: 6 December 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/eu-steps-support-displaced-and-crisis-affected-communities-yemen_en.

On 6 December 2018, the European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development and Mali's Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation announced an additional EUR50 million to support structural reforms in Mali.²⁷⁷⁰ These reforms include the improvement of governance and access to basic services and will contribute to improving access to elementary education, particularly for young girls.²⁷⁷¹

European Union has taken efforts to promote access for early stages of humanitarian response and peacebuilding efforts in Myanmar/Burma, Yemen, Mali, and the Lake Chad region while promoting a safe space for youth.

Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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²⁷⁷⁰ The European Union mobilises an extra 50 million for structural reforms in Mali, European Commission 6 December 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/european-union-mobilises-extra-eu50-million-structural-reforms-mali_en.

²⁷⁷¹ The European Union mobilises an extra 50 million for structural reforms in Mali, European Commission 6 December 2018. Access Date: 7 December 2018. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/news-and-events/european-union-mobilises-extra-eu50-million-structural-reforms-mali_en.