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**RE: MONTHLY STATUS REPORT ON APBET GUIDELINES COMPLIANCE**

We acknowledge the receipt of the April report on compliance.

We however wish to bring the following to your attention.

- i. Bridge academies do not fall under the Apbet description.
- ii. In paragraph 2:2 you have indicated that "The Apbet guidelines provide that a school must have 30% of teachers trained in a government recognized teacher training college and that these teachers be registered with Teachers Service Commission within three (3) years." This however is contrary to what the Apbet guidelines state in 4.2 on standard requirements for teaching, learning and Assessment. 4.2(c) states that "a minimum 30% of the teachers at an institution of Apbet shall have obtained a relevant training" certificate from a recognized teacher training institution at registration. Hence the 30% must be registered by the Teachers Service Commission before employment. Secondly, the remaining 70%, of the teachers must be undertaking recognized in-service training and management of the institution shall progressively ensure that all their teachers are registered with the Teachers Service Commission by the third year of Registration of the institution. This means that within three years of Registration, all teachers (100%), must be qualified and registered by Teachers Service Commission.

Also note that even though teachers may have a valid P1 certificate, they do not qualify to teach if they are not registered. Teachers awaiting certificates from KNEC are therefore not registered teachers.

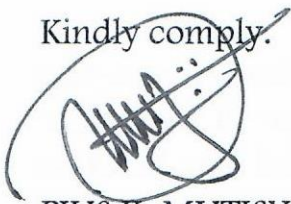
You have also indicated that the County Directors of Education and Teachers Service Commission officials should promote the trained teaching Jobs available at Bridge within their organizations. This cannot happen since your institutions are not yet registered and hence not recognized by the government.

You have also raised the issue of insecurity and that you are in contract with the Principals of Teacher Training Colleges. Please note that the school based teacher training programme is a Ministry of Education programme agreed upon by the relevant stakeholders. The colleges cannot come up with their own programmes without clearance from the Cabinet Secretary.

On matters of curriculum, submission of materials does not mean approval. As of now the KICD did not approve the curriculum being offered by BIA.

In view of the above we insist that BIA has to comply as directed and not hide under the APBET guidelines. The County Education Boards are able to decide which schools fall under APBET and which are basically private. The BIA concept falls under private category.

Kindly comply.



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