To Executive Secretary,
The Inspection Panel,
1818 H Street, NW
Washington DC 20433, USA

Monday, 21st June, 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: Request for Inspection by the World Bank Inspection Panel to Cherangany Hills in Kenya.

Attached find request for inspection and a letter to	of 3 rd December 2020-World Bank
Country Director for Kenya and that of	of 12/1/2021 –Acting Head of Office, Kenya.

It should be noted that this is not the first time Cherangany IPs are requesting for inspection by the World Bank Inspection Panel.

It should also be known that the projects we complain about are not the only ones causing harm but these two latest are heightening the harm and damage to Cherangany IPs even more and that's why we want them stopped until we are consulted after you come visiting and getting first hand factual evidence for your informed and rightful decision.

We write this separate forwarding letter with the knowledge that World Bank has a set of regulations and procedures to be met before inspection is commenced, one of which is that the project in question should be at a certain stage of implementation to be recommended.

This is why in item five (5) of our Request for Inspection and paragraph two (2) above of this forwarding letter, the Board should understand that we made complaints in good time to the World Bank Kenya Country Office and to the Inspection Panel but denied on the same technical issues one of which we now preempt might hinder recommending our request for inspection on the grounds that the project might be in mid or past recommended implementation timeframe for an inspection which will ruin our human rights mitigation efforts on those grounds yet as captured in item 5 of this request for inspection we were given false unfulfilled promises by Kenya Government and World Bank Officers that made us agree to wait for the resolution of our complaints until maybe now what the Board might call existing Bank procedures that will succeed in hindering recommendation for inspection but in essence will have been a deliberately tactical way by either Government Officers or World Bank staff to cause failures in resolving the lodged complaints in good time and hence win in not being investigated by the Panel.

What will World Bank Board do in such a scenario where World Bank staff or government Offices made such false promises as in this case until maybe time for launching any complaint for inspection is over?

This is because we have real fears that the World Bank funded projects that have caused much harm might not be investigated and remedies sought and the Board must be considerate of these secrets or hidden facts and therefore should allow for inspection.

Kind Regards,

Cherangany Indigenous Peoples Minority Community of Kenya.

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We,

and

live and represent others who live in the area known as Cherangany Hills which is both the Secondary Education Quality Improvement Project (SEQIP) and Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP) operation area financed by the World Bank (WB). Our addresses as the requesters are as listed (i-viii) below.

- 2. We have suffered and likely to suffer harm as a result of the World Bank's Failures, Commissions and Omissions through funding during planning and implementation of both the Secondary Education Quality Improvement Project (SEQIP) and the Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP) financed by the World Bank within a small section of our area of Cherangany Hills encompassing three Counties of West Pokot, Elgeiyo/Marakwet and Trans Nzoia not covered.
- 3. The damages and harm we have suffered and still suffering from are:
 - i) We have suffered heightened Community Crisis first reported to you on 28th June, 2013 now confirmed this date of Monday, 21st June, 2021 eight years since we first complained to World Bank Kenya Country office and eventually to the Inspection Panel. The non recognition of the <u>Cherangany Indigenous Peoples Community</u> in the project documents preparation and during implementation of the two recent projects among others causing further distortions and harm are obviously becoming deliberate and have brought about the non recognition of Cherangany as indigenous peoples minority community in Kenya again and therefore they cannot be recognized internationally because of World Bank.
 - (ii) We have suffered harm on both the **Community Identity** and **Territorial identity Crisis** through the earlier World Bank funded Write-ups and Documentations and currently in the following Documents furthering the messes causing harm:
 - (a) Ministry of Education, State Department of Basic Education, Secondary Education Quality Improvement Project (SEQIP) for Vulnerable and Marginalized Groups Framework (VMGF) of July, 2017 where Cherangany IPs have been excluded in that report.
 - (b) Ministry of Education, Environment and Social Management Framework (SEQIP) Document of July, 2017 also excluding Cherangany IPs.
 - (c) The Climate Smart Agriculture Project (CSAP) Document leaving out Cherangany IPs.

All these non recognition and wrong documentation designed-projects funded by World Bank causing local, national and international distortions in **identity** and **non recognition** of our community as indigenous peoples' community in Kenya now further heightening discrimination through tribalism (or negative ethnicity) which is mostly practiced at the Counties causing further non recognition at that level as a result of these omissions and commissions by the World Bank which have caused great harm and suffering to Cherangany people socially, economically and politically including killings because IPs are listed in Kenya with Cherangany IPs missing!!!

- (iii) Both projects targeting a very small section of the IPs and leaving out the more vulnerable and marginalized of them while giving to majority tribes making decisions.
- (iv) Wrong project designs at the World Bank Office? Not recognizing Cherangany IPs.
- (v) Non Disclosures of Bank projects in good time but late after implementation.
- (vi) Entirely excluding Indigenous Peoples Organizations (IPOs) and demonizing them.
- (vii) Lack of FPIC but a non conforming IP Rights violation approach termed FPIC but not.
- (viii) Wrong approach in project-identification funding very small unsustainable projects and leaving out impactful projects targeting majority community like the non implementation of Chepngaan Community Water Project already designed and non tariff while forcing a County government project that will impose the Cherangany IPs to pay high water tariffs from their own natural water resource from Cherangany Hills now managed and run by a

- rival tribe (ethnic community of Pokot) that will obviously make our people resort to tapping water from polluted springs and rivers which is a Human rights violation.
- (ix) Failure by World Bank in calling for a forum or denial of the meeting we requested to be organized for us to vent out our frustrations and for the World Bank to get first hand facts so as to be able to remedy the suffering of this IP community.
- (x) We have suffered public assumptions by tribalists of benefiting from World Bank donor IP targeted financing perception yet only 0.25% out of 60,000 of the community benefit but despised caused by the tribalism (or negative ethnicity) highly practiced at Counties.
- 4. We believe the World Bank **Operational Policy OP** and **Bank Procedures BP 4.10** on IPs and **Operational Policy 7.60 (OP 7.60)** on Projects in Disputed Areas have not been observed in all our above complained of cases.
- 5. We have complained to World Bank Kenya Country Office severally even giving finer details of complaints for correction with pledges which have not been fulfilled or honored therefore making us call for the stoppage of especially these two projects and ONCE AGAIN REQUEST FOR INSPECTION BY THE WORLD BANK INSPECTION PANEL. Please Note: the –Forwarding letter.
 The two World Bank Funded Projects i.e. <u>SEQIP</u> and <u>KCSAP</u> must now be stopped until we are consulted after the visit and recommendation by the Inspection Panel.



Though with several letters to World Bank Kenya;

Attached please find two letters we wrote to WB Country Director for Kenya and that detailed letter written to Acting Head of Office Kenya; hereby attached whose most questions we asked have not been responded to but only giving attempted false answers.

It must therefore be known that we were being given false promises yet to be fulfilled but will eventually cause great harm and damage to this Cherangany IPs which have already manifested.