**Prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse**

UN Zero-Tolerance policy towards Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) creates direct obligations for all UN entities and their implementing partners to comply with requirements related to prevention, reporting and response to SEA. Implementation of the requirements and subsequent completion of this declaration is a prerequisite for potential selection, award and appointment of contracts with OCHA [Country]. Failure to comply with the requirements below and provide a duly completed Declaration will be considered cause for removal as a candidate for selection of contracts or may result in termination of eligibility.

* I declare as a representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] has read Section 3 of [**ST/SGB/2003/13**](https://undocs.org/en/ST/SGB/2003/13) Prohibition of SEA[[1]](#footnote-2) and accepts these terms and the UN’s zero-tolerance policy on SEA.
* I declare, as a representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] that, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] will ensure that all relevant staff working under any OCHA-funded Projects and any staff of a sub-contracting partner engaged in the Projects, will have completed a PSEA training, which includes awareness of the UN’s definitions[[2]](#footnote-3) and prohibition[[3]](#footnote-4) of SEA, requirements for prompt reporting of SEA allegations to OCHA and referral of victims to immediate assistance.

*Training options include the UN PSEA online training that is available for all implementing partners* [*https://agora.unicef.org/course/info.php?id=7380*](https://agora.unicef.org/course/info.php?id=7380) *NOTE: PSEA trainings may also be available at the country level, please check with the Humanitarian Financing Unit.*

* I declare, as a representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] that upon receipt of OCHA funding, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [*Organization Name*] will ensure that all relevant staff working under OCHA-funded Projects and any staff of sub-contracting partner engaged in the Projects, will have undergone background checks for involvement or alleged involvement in SEA.

**If the organization has a prior or ongoing SEA allegation, please complete the following declaration:**

* I declare, as a representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [Organization Name] that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Organization Name] has taken appropriate corrective action in response to any prior or ongoing SEA allegation. Appropriate correction action consists of (i) the conduct of a credible self-investigation, (ii) support to victim(s) if relevant, (iii) dismissal of perpetrator(s) if relevant and (iv) implementation of corrective measures.

Signed: ..........................................................................................................................................

Name: ...........................................................................................................................................

Position: .......................................................................................................................................

Date: .............................................................................................................................................

1. <https://undocs.org/en/ST/SGB/2003/13> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Any actual or attempted abuse of position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes, including but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially, or politically from the sexual exploitation of another. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Sexual exploitation and sexual abuse violate universally recognized international legal norms and standards and have always been unacceptable behaviour and prohibited conduct for United Nations staff. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)