As leaders of the organizations which support national governments in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), we emphasize that the GPEI has zero tolerance for sexual misconduct (i.e. sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment). We enforce this principle in each of our agencies, with robust ethical policies, and communicate these to all personnel involved in polio eradication.

The GPEI welcomes and actively supports steps being taken by the international community to prevent and stop sexual misconduct, to strengthen cross-agency measures to ensure that inappropriate behaviour is reported and appropriate disciplinary actions are taken, and that staff and contractors that do not meet our standards of conduct are not employed.

Warm regards,

**POB Secretariat**