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Dr. Alaa Ashmawy
President
National Authority for Quality Assurance & Accreditation of Education
Egypt

Dear Dr. Ashmawy,

**NOTIFICATION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE EXTERNAL REVIEW OF THE
NATIONAL AUTHORITY FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE AND ACCREDITATION
OF EDUCATION (NAQAAE), EGYPT, UNDER THE HAQAA3 INITIATIVE**

The Association of African Universities (AAU) and the Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency (PAQAA) Technical Unit present their compliments to Dr. Ashmawy and the National Authority for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Education (NAQAAE), Egypt, and have the honour to convey the following:

Following the submission of the final external review report, the Association of African Universities (AAU) is pleased to confirm the successful completion of the external review of the National Authority for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Education (NAQAAE), Egypt, conducted under the HAQAA3 Initiative.

The report has been prepared by the independent external review panel based on NAQAAE's Self-Assessment Report and the evidence gathered during the site visit, in accordance with the HAQAA Guidelines for Agency Reviews.

The report presents the panel's judgements on NAQAAE's level of compliance with the individual standards contained in Parts B and C of the African Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance (ASG-QA), together with an overall assessment of the agency's compliance. Kindly note that these compliance judgements are indicative in nature and do not carry any formal implications for the agency's legal status, recognition, or operations.

Looking ahead, preparations are underway for the establishment of a Register of ASG-QA-compliant quality assurance agencies in Africa under the framework of the proposed Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency (PAQAA). It should be noted that any

future Register may establish its own eligibility criteria, thresholds, and conditions for overall compliance with the ASG-QA. Accordingly, participation in this external review process and its outcomes should not be construed as guaranteeing future inclusion on such a Register.

It is our sincere hope that the findings and recommendations contained in the report, together with the review process, will provide valuable guidance for the continued strengthening of NAQAAE and its contribution to enhancing the quality of higher education in Egypt.

The Association of African Universities and the PAQAA Technical Unit wish to express their sincere appreciation to you and the entire NAQAAE team for your openness, professionalism, and commitment throughout the review process. Your active participation has made an important contribution to advancing the harmonization of quality assurance and accreditation systems across Africa.

The AAU and the PAQAA Technical Unit look forward to NAQAAE's continued engagement in the activities of the HAQAA Initiative and to further strengthening our collaboration in promoting quality assurance and excellence in African higher education.

The Association of African Universities and the PAQAA Technical Unit avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to Dr. Ashmawy and the National Authority for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Education (NAQAAE), Egypt, the assurances of their highest consideration.

Yours in the Service of Higher Education in Africa,



Prof. Olusola Oyewole

Secretary-General of the Association of African Universities (AAU)

Signed on behalf of the HAQAA3 Implementing Team