

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** April 25, 2025

**TO:** USAID/Vietnam Mission Director, Aler Grubbs

FROM: Asia Regional Office, Audit Assistant Director, Rhonda M. Horried /s/

SUBJECT: Financial Audit of Fulbright University Vietnam Under Multiple Awards, for the Year

Ended June 30, 2024 (5-440-25-029-R)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report of Fulbright University Vietnam under the following awards:

Award Name (Type)	Award Number	Audit Period
USAID Fulbright University Vietnam	72044021CA00004	July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024
Growth and Sustainability		
(cooperative agreement)		
U.S. Department of State award		July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024
(cooperative agreement)	SLMAQM20CA2458	
U.S. Department of State award		July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024
_(grant)	SVM70021CA3038	
U.S. Department of State award	S-ECAGD-21-GR-3099	July 1, 2023, to November
(sub-grant)		30, 2023
U.S. Department of State award	S-ECAGD-22-GR-0090	July 1, 2023, to
(sub-grant)		June 30, 2024
U.S. Department of State award	S-ECAGD-23-GR-0079	August 1, 2023, to
(sub-grant)		June 30, 2024
U.S. Department of State award	SAQMIP24CA5003	April 11, 2024, to
(sub-grant)		June 30, 2024
U.S. Department of State award	SVM70023CA0040	October 1, 2023, to
(cooperative agreement)		June 30, 2024

Fulbright University Vietnam contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Deloitte Vietnam Audit Company Limited to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated it performed its audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. However, it did not have continuing professional education and external quality control review programs that satisfy GAGAS requirements. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions

expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on the recipient's schedule of expenditures of Federal awards, the effectiveness of its internal control, or its compliance with the awards, laws, and regulations. I

The audit objectives were mainly to: (1) express an opinion on whether the schedule of expenditures of Federal awards for the period audited was presented fairly in all material respects; (2) evaluate the recipient's internal controls; and (3) determine whether the recipient complied with awards terms and applicable laws and regulations. To answer the audit objectives, the audit firm performed the subject financial audit that covered total costs of \$11,897,335 for the year ended June 30, 2024. Out of the total costs audited, \$10,184,938 pertained to USAID funds.

The audit firm concluded that the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards presented fairly, in all material respects, project revenues and costs incurred under the agreement for the period audited. The audit firm did not identify any questioned costs, any material internal control weakness, or any material instance of noncompliance. The audit firm issued a management letter that had no material issues that required a recommendation.

The report does not include any recommendations for your action.

OIG does not routinely distribute independent public accounting reports beyond the immediate addressees because a high percentage of these reports contain information restricted from release under the Trade Secrets Act, 18 U.S.C. 1905 and Freedom of Information Act Exemption Four, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) ("commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential"). In addition, USAID OIG has determined that this transmittal memo and the enclosed report are not subject to notification and reporting requirements under Section 5274 of the National Defense Authorization Act.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify items that need clarification or issues that require management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and exclude review of the auditor's supporting work papers; desk reviews are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 Pub. L. No. 117-263, § 5274. Please direct related inquiries to <u>oignotice\_ndaa5274@usaid.gov</u>.