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Dear Sirs

Overseas Aid Review

I am writing with regard to the Overseas Aid Review that the Scrutiny Panel is undertaking, and in particular that part of the Review that is focusing on the States Policy for upgrading the Island's Overseas Aid budget in line with GNI and the Island's Overseas Aid contributions in comparison with other jurisdictions.

In 2004 I was among a group of local residents who signed a letter published in the Jersey Evening Post calling on the States to set a prudent timetable within which Jersey would increase its Aid budget to meet the official development assistance target set by the United Nations of 0.7% of GNI. I should like the Panel to know that I continue to share that view.

Yours faithfully,

Colin Powell