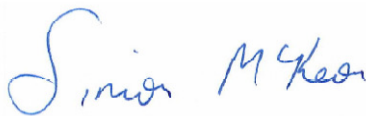


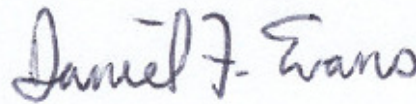
Re: Proposed Increase in Foreign Aid by the Australian Government

Business for Millennium Development fully supports an increase in foreign aid to 0.5% of GNI by 2015 as proposed by the current Labor Government and supported by the current Liberal National Coalition. We welcome the current review into aid effectiveness and as an organisation focused on core business linkages with development, we encourage the government to work with all parties across society committed to poverty alleviation including the private sector to help optimise the effectiveness of the increase in foreign aid.

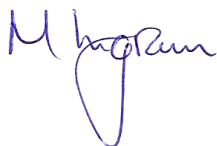
Signed by the Board of Directors:



Mr. Simon McKeon, Chairman



Dr. Daniel Evans, Deputy Chairman



Mr. Mark Ingram, Chief Executive Officer



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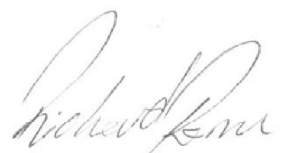
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