

**UK Department for International Development (DFID)
Concentration Plans April 2010**

Important note: *As the UK is now in a pre-election period, DFID cannot comment on future policies or priorities. This note sets out existing policy and plans of the current Government.*

Increasing the concentration of our aid programme is an issue that DFID has consistently prioritised: DFID has closed offices and/or programmes in 35 countries since 2002 (see Annex 1) and in a 36th (Niger) DFID's remaining programme is delegated to France. Around 90% of our country expenditure is now in 23 countries (see Annex 2). Plans to close in a further 4 countries in 2011 have already been announced:

- Serbia
- Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Moldova
- Cambodia

Since 1997 we have cut the number of countries we give aid to by over a third, and in the three years to 2010 will have closed nine offices. This allows our staff and aid budget to focus on where they add most value.

UK bilateral aid allocations are currently guided by three principles: levels of income per person (the poorer the country the higher the aid); population size; and confidence on whether the aid resources will be used effectively (based on assessments of country policy and institutional performance).

Annex 1: list of 35 countries

1. Albania
2. Armenia
3. Azerbaijan
4. Belorussia
5. Bulgaria
6. Croatia
7. Czech Republic
8. Estonia
9. Georgia
10. Hungary
11. Kazakhstan
12. Latvia
13. Lithuania
14. Macedonia
15. Poland
16. Romania
17. Russia
18. Slovakia
19. Slovenia
20. Turkmenistan
21. Ukraine
22. Uzbekistan
23. Nicaragua
24. Bolivia
25. Thailand
26. Botswana
27. Madagascar
28. Swaziland
29. Djibouti
30. Seychelles
31. Angola
32. Cameroon
33. Gambia
34. Sri Lanka
35. Brazil

Annex 2: list of 23 countries

1. DRC
2. Ethiopia
3. Ghana
4. Kenya
5. Malawi
6. Mozambique
7. Nigeria
8. Rwanda
9. Sierra Leone
10. Sudan
11. Tanzania
12. Uganda
13. Zambia
14. Zimbabwe
15. Afghanistan
16. Bangladesh
17. India
18. Nepal
19. Pakistan
20. St Helena
21. Vietnam
22. West Bank and Gaza
23. China