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PRIME MINISTER

IRAQ: Economic Initiative

When you spoke to Prime Minister al Maliki on 5 July, you promised to send some suggestions for an economic initiative. I attach a draft letter to Maliki, written by DFID. The embassy in Baghdad and the FCO were consulted.

The approach is sensible and realistic but not particularly ambitious. But the embassy argue that, taking into account the security situation and lack of political will, this is as much as we would be able to get Maliki to consider. I therefore recommend that you send this draft.

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