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Conference of the Chairmen of Foreign Affairs Committees (Development and Cooperation) of the Member States of the European Union, the European Parliament and the Parliaments of the Candidate States

Dear Chairman

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to a Conference of the Chairmen of Foreign Affairs Committees (Development and Cooperation) of the Member States of the European Union, the European Parliament and the Parliaments of the Candidate States, which will be held in London during the United Kingdom's Presidency of the European Union.

The meeting will take place on Monday 28 November 2005 at the Palace of Westminster. It will be preceded by a formal dinner in the House of Commons on the evening of Sunday 27 November.

The draft programme, participation registration forms and hotel registration forms will be sent to you at a later date. Our purpose in writing to you at this early stage is to give you as much notice as possible of the event and allow you to note it in your diary. We would also like to stress that this meeting will focus on development and overseas aid matters; there will be a separate meeting for the Chairmen of Foreign Affairs (external relations) committees, hosted by our Foreign Affairs Committee.

For any additional information you may require, please contact the Secretariat of the International Development Committee in the House of Commons, telephone +4420 7219 1221, fax +4420 7219 2891 or by email at indcom@parliament.uk

We look forward to seeing you in London in November.

Yours faithfully,

Tony Baldry MP
Chairman of the International
Development Committee,
in the House of Commons

Lord Bowness
Chairman of the EU Sub-Committee on Foreign
Affairs, Defence and Development Policy, in the
House of Lords