

The Hon Wayne Swan  
Deputy Prime Minister and Treasurer  
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Dear Mr. Swan

I would like to congratulate you on many of the initiatives in your budget aimed at assisting the poorer section of the Australian community.

However I would also like to say that I was very disappointed to see the promise that overseas aid would reach 0.5% of Gross National Income by 2015 was not kept. Many people poorer than our citizens are depending on Australian aid and will suffer as a result of this decision.

The bi-partisan promise of the GNI target of 0.5% must remain an accountability for both parties.

Thank you for considering again the seriousness of this request and expectation.

With best wishes