



The New Zealand All-Party Parliamentary Group

25th February 2009

Dear Secretary General,

In our roles as Chair and Vice-Chair of the New Zealand Parliamentarians' Group on Population and Development (NZPPD), we are writing to express our strong support for the candidacy of Helen Clark for the position of Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

As New Zealand parliamentarians with a particular focus on international development, we share a confidence that Helen Clark would be an excellent leader of UNDP. She has consistently illustrated the capabilities, knowledge and qualities necessary to hold this role and has solid support from our parliamentary group.

The NZPPD provides a forum for New Zealand parliamentarians to engage and act on international population and development issues. The group is cross party group, with currently just under 40% of all New Zealand parliamentarians as members. NZPPD works to raise awareness and action on the critical population and development challenges we face in our Pacific region.

Please accept our endorsement of Helen Clark's candidacy for the position of Administrator of UNDP.

Yours sincerely,

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NZPPD Chair

Steve Chadwick
NZPPD Vice-Chair