

Dear Treasury Secretary John Snow:

I write to ask that you work to **cut the strings** that prevent many impoverished countries from receiving debt cancellation.

Last year you helped to bring about an important agreement giving debt cancellation to 18 countries that have reached "completion point" in the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) program. Unfortunately HIPC requires that countries implement a series of harmful economic policies such as water privatization and restricted spending on health and education.

Over 40 additional impoverished countries require debt cancellation to meet the most basic needs of their people. **Please work to ensure that they receive the debt cancellation they need without harmful economic policy "strings" attached.**

Sincerely,

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