

Chancellor of the Exchequer: No one should die in childbirth

Dear Chancellor,

Ten women die from giving birth every day in Sierra Leone. It is the most dangerous place in the world to become a mum. The country lacks the funds needed to provide the most basic health services – things that you and I take for granted.

After the 2014 Ebola outbreak, Sierra Leone was given loans to help cope with the crisis. Paying these back is taking money away from the healthcare that is so desperately needed to tackle death in childbirth.

I do not believe it is right that Sierra Leone must pay off debts which come from a major health crisis.

As a matter of urgency, please ensure the UK Government uses its power in the International Monetary Fund to:

- Ensure all Sierra Leone's debts on the loans it received for fighting the Ebola outbreak are written off.
- Take urgent action to prevent new debt crises in developing countries and tackle them effectively when they arise.

Yours Sincerely,

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