Dear Theo,

ICAI’s Budget

Thank you for your letter of 30th April regarding the Independent Commission for Aid Impact’s (ICAI) budget.

ICAI plays a vital role, providing strong external scrutiny of UK Official Development Assistance (ODA) and helping Government to learn in a productive and constructive way. ICAI have been given a programme budget of £2.8 million for the financial year 21/22. We have sought to protect ICAI’s budget as much as possible despite the challenging financial climate. When compared to the previous 4-year settlement of £11.1m, this amount constitutes a flat settlement and should allow ICAI to continue with the majority of its 21/22 workplan.

Operating cost budgets have taken longer to finalise this year due to our transformation and organisational design work for the merged organisation. ICAI have now been informed that their operating cost budget for 21/22 is £1,016,668.

I value your proactive engagement in raising this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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THE RT HON DOMINIC RAAB MP