

**Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty
Overseas duty visit to the United Kingdom and Ireland
(19 to 24 September 2005)**

Programme of the visit

19 September 2005 (Monday)

- 0:35 am Depart for London
- 6:35 am Arrive in London
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Meeting with **Miss Nicola GILPIN, Economic Analyst of the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)**
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Sandwich lunch meeting with **Mr Colin CURTIS, Manager of Sure Start Programme, Department of Education and Skills**
- 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm Meeting with **Ms Judith SHANKLEMAN, Programme Manager for Community Involvement, St Pancras Community Association, and Ms Barbara Ludlow, Deputy Manager for Community Involvement, St Pancras Community Association, cum visit to the Sure Start Local Programme**
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Meeting with **Miss Julia SWEENEY, Head of DWP Family Poverty and Work Division**
- 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Meeting with **Miss Yasmin GHAZALI, Pensions Division, DWP**

20 September 2005 (Tuesday)

- 9:00 am – 10:00 am Meeting with **Miss Susan ACLAND-HOOD, Social Exclusion Unit, Office of Deputy Prime Minister**
- 10:30 am – 11:30 am Meeting with **Professor John HILLS, Director of Centre for the Analysis of Social Exclusion, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)**

- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Meeting with **Professor David PIACHAUD, Professor of LSE**
- 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Lunch and Roundtable Discussion chaired by **Professor Peter TOWNSEND, Professor of International Social Policy, LSE**
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Meeting with **Miss Hazel HECTOR, Deputy Secretary for the Low Pay Commission**
- 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Dinner hosted by **Mrs Carrie LAM, Director General of HKETO (London)**

21 September 2005 (Wednesday)

- 7:45 am Depart hotel for London Gatwick Airport
- 10:35 am Depart for Dublin
- 12:05 pm Arrive in Dublin
- 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Meeting with **Miss Bevin CODY, Head of Communication and Public Affairs of the Combat Poverty Agency**

22 September 2005 (Thursday)

- 9:30 am – 10:30 am Meeting with **Mr Brendan O’LEARY, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and Ms Shira MEHLAM, Director–Social Inclusion of FAS**
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Meeting with **Gerard WALKER, Political Analyst, National Economic and Social Forum**
- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Meeting with **Oireachtas (Irish Parliament) Joint Committee on Social and Family Affairs**
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Guided tour of the Parliament

23 September 2005 (Friday)

9:30 am – 12:30 pm	Meeting with Mr Tim QUIRKE, Principal of the Department of Social and Family Affairs and Ms Orlaigh QUINN, Principal of Office of Social Inclusion
12:30 pm	Depart for Dublin Airport
6:40 pm	Depart for Hong Kong

24 September 2005 (Saturday)

4:05 pm	Arrive in Hong Kong
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