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Sirs

**Re: National Minimum Wage**

As a business owner in the UK I would like to promote the concept of raising the national minimum wage. In this country we have a culture of accepting low paid labour and our minimum wage has increased more slowly than other developed countries leaving millions of low paid workers unable to sustain the cost of living without subsidy from our government. The last 6 years has seen the situation deteriorate and workers are now paid less in real terms than they were.

I would urge you to consider raising the NMW as soon as possible. The benefits will benefit the whole economy in this country, including;

- Removing the need for low paid workers to be dependent on benefits
- Increasing disposable income for millions of workers, which will boost the economy
- Increasing productivity – our business has proved the change in attitude and increase in productivity when an employee is earning sufficiently to sustain the cost of living

Yours faithfully



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