

FCDO Head of Latin America Department meets Honduran Vice ministers

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FCDO's Deputy Director of the Americas and Head of Latin America Department James Dauris met with the Honduran Vice Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Environment.



Deputy Director Dauris met with the Honduran Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Gerardo Torres Zelaya and the Vice Minister of Environment, Malcom Stufkens. They discussed shared priorities on a host of issues, including Ukraine, climate change, human rights, transparency and economic prosperity.

On Ukraine, Deputy Director Dauris raised the devastating impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on food and energy prices, while encouraging Honduras to continue supporting the cause for ending this war especially at the UN and other multilateral forums.

He urged Honduras to continue showing ambition in the fight against climate change. These plans will complement the UK's investment of US\$20 million in Mesoamerica, including Honduras, through the Biodiverse Landscapes Fund, to reduce poverty and create climate resilience from 2023.

Deputy Director Dauris also encouraged Honduras to seize the opportunities of the UK-Central America Association Agreement, while stressing the need for continued Honduras efforts to tackle corruption and improve the business environment.

Deputy Director Dauris also stressed the unequivocal UK commitment to protect human rights, ranging from the situation of media freedom to continue advocating for the rights of LGBTQI persons. These are shared priorities with the Government of President Xiomara Castro.

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