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## SAVE THE CARIBBEAN FROM AIR PASSENGER DUTY (APD) AN UNJUST TAX

### Change to APD

In April 2009 Chancellor of the Exchequer Alistair Darling announced in the 2009 Budget that the plans to revise **Air Passenger Duty**, a tax paid on departure from British airports, would go ahead.

### Flight tax to the Caribbean will rise by 94 per cent

As a result, flight tax to the Caribbean will increase by between 25 per cent and 87 per cent, depending upon the class of travel. In November 2010 those increases will reach as high as 94 per cent.

UK holidaymakers and the overseas friends and relatives of Caribbean nationals who live in Britain are being heavily penalised. It would be more reasonable to place the Caribbean in the same band as the USA.

### What does this mean to you?

In November, flights to the Caribbean will have £50 per person APD in economy class or £100 per person in all other classes

1. Next year, flights to the Caribbean will have £75 per person APD in economy class or £150 per person in all other classes
2. A family of four traveling to the Caribbean next year in premium classes will pay £600 IN APD TAX ALONE.
3. Tax on flying to the Caribbean in premium classes for a family of four will be £280 more expensive next year than it is now
4. Tax on flying to the Caribbean in premium classes for a family of four will be £120 more expensive than tax on flights to Hawaii

### What can you do?

Write to your MP - Template letter attached Your MP will need your support at the next General Election so **now** is the time to show solidarity o their constituents!! To find out the address for your MP contact your local Town Hall or visit the following website: [www.parliament.uk/directories/directories.cfm](http://www.parliament.uk/directories/directories.cfm).

You can start a petition or sign the British Government No. 10. Petition at the following website: [www.petitions.number10.gov.uk/APDIncrease](http://www.petitions.number10.gov.uk/APDIncrease).

Inform all your friends and family about this unjust tax whether by word of mouth, email etc.