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Chief Executive**Sara Freckleton**  
Borough Solicitor**TO EACH LOCAL AUTHORITY IN ENGLAND**

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Dear Sir/Madam

At the meeting of the Council held on 22 February 2007 the following Motion was considered:

‘This Council is aware of the situation in which British forces and their families who are stationed overseas cannot receive parcels free of charge as they could in 2003.

This Council believes that the situation is both an appalling and disgraceful way to treat our dedicated and hardworking troops and their families given the hardships that they face in the world's hotspots and war zones and therefore asks that the Government reinstates this service as a matter of urgency.

In addition this Council calls upon:

1. Each of it's Town and Parish Councils to offer their support to the Motion
2. Each Local Authority in the Country to offer their support to this Motion
3. Each Local Authority across the Country to invite the Town and Parish Councils in their area to support this Motion ‘

My Council was overwhelmingly in support of this Motion and as such I am now writing to ask whether your Authority would consider offering its support to this Motion and if so to ask you to write to the appropriate Government Minister, Secretary of State for Defence, the Rt Hon Des Browne MP, to express your support.

If you have Town and Parish Councils in your area I would be grateful if you could pass this letter on to them and seek their support in writing to the Minister.

Yours sincerely

**Teri Turner**  
**Chief Executive**