

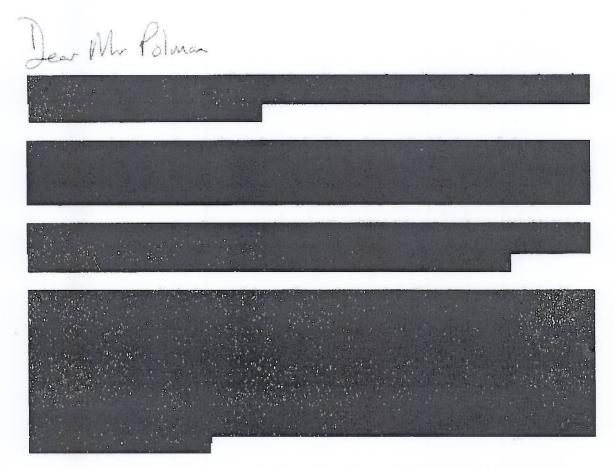
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On the second issue that you raised about UK travel advice for Colombia, I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office has recently reviewed and strengthened our travel advice for the country and have relaxed the travel advice for Valle de Cauca. While we previously advised against all but essential travel to all rural areas in the whole of Valle de Cauca, we have now clarified this by advising against all but essential travel to only rural areas in the southern part of Valle de Cauca. The FCO therefore does not have any reservations against travel to Cali, or to the northern part of Valle de Cauca (these appear green on our map). The FCO

strongly advises British nationals to regularly review the FCO's travel advice for Colombia to ensure that they have the most up-to-date information.

Our travel advice is based on the FCO's latest assessment of the security situation in relation to the level of risk to British nationals in each part of the country. The recent review of Colombia was also carried out in response to feedback from the public and businesses asking for greater clarity about the parts of Colombia to which the FCO advised against travel. While we appreciate that the introduction of the colour-coded map has made the new changes more visible, and therefore highlighted the Travel Advice to local governance structures and to business, there are few substantive changes (and indeed some improvements to the security situation as reflected in our relaxing of the advice in Valle de Cauca). I hope this clarifies matters and provides you with some reassurance about our approach.

I would like to thank you for your all your efforts as a British Business Ambassador and hope that the Foreign Office and the MNCG can continue to work together to promote British business interests overseas.

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