



## Norfolk Island People for Democracy

### Did you know?

In 1975, the Falkland Islands economy was in serious decline and in 1982, following an economic survey undertaken by Lord Shackleton at the request of the British Foreign Secretary; it was recommended that Her Majesty's Government (HMG) should:

- Set up a development agency;
- Transfer farm ownership to local owner-occupiers;
- Develop in agriculture, fisheries, tourism, infrastructure;
- Change government structure to provide local impetus to change;
- Allocate development funds amounting to £35m.

Since 1986 the Fishing industry currently contributes between 50 and 60% of total GDP annually and the Falkland Islands Government reserves currently stand at c.£200m (AUD 408 million). Today the Gross Domestic Product which is currently about £100m annually enables the Islands to be economically self-sufficient in all areas but defense.

The Falkland Islands in March 2013 held a referendum to determine their political status and the continuation of their status as an Overseas Territory of the United Kingdom, the overwhelming result being that 99.8% voted to remain a British Territory.

**Self-determination is a fundamental human right under the Charter of the United Nations. We will ensure our islands determine their own future and will actively promote to the rest of the world the clear message that was delivered in the 2013 referendum – the people of the Falkland Islands wish to remain a self-governing Overseas Territory of the United Kingdom.**

**'The Islands Plan 2014-2018' Falkland Island Government - July 2014**

<http://www.falklands.gov.fk/assets/The-Islands-Plan-2014-2018-Compressed.pdf>



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