

There's a very strong case for this disclosure in the U...

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I got this email last night from the World Bank:

The first global study of financial disclosure laws and practices, “Public Office, Private Interests: Accountability through Income and Asset Disclosure” calls for renewed commitment to income and asset disclosure to deter the use of public office for private gain and to help manage actual and apparent conflicts of interest in the public sector. Disclosure by public officials of their income, assets and interests should be mandated if the fight against corruption is to succeed, according to this study, released today by the Stolen Asset Recovery (StAR) Initiative of the World Bank and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. [Read more](#)

Now, how about that in the UK? And maybe it should apply to former office holders as well, say for ten years after leaving office. That would answer a few questions, help stop revolving doors, and curtail the rush from office into the arms of bankers. Just a thought.