N50 PARTNER, COMPUTER AID, COMMENDED AT 10 DOWNING STREET

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On Wednesday 14 June, John Morris the London, UK, based co-founder and director of Geeks Without Frontiers was privileged to be invited to N50 Partner, Computer Aid International's 25th anniversary celebration. The event was held in the State Room at 10 Downing Street, London, the offices and residence of the UK Prime Minister.

The meeting, which included representatives from Government, the private sector, academia and supporters, was presided over by Computer Aid International's Chairman, Dominic McVey and CEO, Keith Sonnet. After introductory comments from the Chair and CEO, there were presentations on digital divide research from representatives of both Oxford and Cambridge universities, a brief presentation on N50 and the work with Computer Aid in relation to Ukraine from John Morris, and Q&A.

The event was best summarized by Dominic McVey in a subsequent Linked In post:

"Colleagues, friends, partners, government and supporters discussed and highlighted the pressing issue of the digital divide and the vital work that Computer Aid is doing to bridge this gap throughout the globe. Now more than ever, it is important that we ensure everyone has access to technology to support their education, work, and wellbeing.

Computer Aid has been working tirelessly for over two decades to provide access to refurbished IT equipment, digital skills training, and environmental awareness to communities in need all over the world. Computer Aid's goal is to level the playing field and create more opportunities for people who would otherwise be left behind.

I am incredibly proud to be a part of this charity and to see the impact that it's work is making on a daily basis. 14 million people so far have received training from us and over 500,000 devices have been donated."