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Dear Mr Doyle

**Trident**

Thank you for the postcard you recently sent to me making clear your opposition to the replacement of Trident.

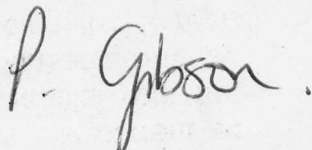
I can assure you that I am utterly opposed to the replacement of Trident. Indeed this is the stated policy of the SNP which has long campaigned against nuclear weapons.

In the current economic climate, we face Scotland's budget being cut in the financial year from April 2010 by £814.4m regardless of whether Labour or the Conservatives win the General Election. However, both these parties are also committed to replacing Trident at a cost of £97 billion.

A new generation of unwanted and unnecessary nuclear weapons on the Clyde is opposed by the vast majority of the people of Scotland, the Scottish Government, religious organisations and civil society.

If elected, I and other SNP MPs will continue to stand up for the people of Scotland and oppose the replacement of Trident, arguing that instead, this money should be invested in public and front line services to offset this recession which is hitting households hard across the country.

Yours for Scotland,



Councillor Patricia Gibson  
SNP Candidate  
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