## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: 08 February 2001

Re: The short memo on funding of Public School education in Puerto Rico

- Puerto Rican public school education is funded by a higher degree of federal funding than any of the 50 US states and the District of Columbia.
- Puerto Rico's federal funding percentage is almost double that of the nearest State, Kentucky.
- Low Puerto Rico expenditures per student may be a reflection of the low level of state contribution.

	Federal % of revenue	State and Local % of revenue	Other
US National average	6.6	90.9	2.5
Kentucky	9.3	89.1	1.7
Mississppii	14.0	82.6	3.4
North Dakota	12.0	82.7	5.2
South Dakota	9.7	87.2	3.0
West Virginia	8.3	90.2	1.4
Puerto Rico	28.3	71.6	less than 0.5

Source: US Department of Education, Common Core of Data, as published in Table 161 of The Condition of Education Report 1999.