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Priorities:

- **Transport and Tourism:** The development of rail, road and air infrastructure in the North West and border regions is a key priority for Jim. Since he has been elected, Jim has worked hard to emphasise the importance of road safety. Jim also recognises tourism as a crucial industry and believes that protecting and promoting it is in Ireland's best economic interests.
- **Review of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP):** Getting the balance right between stock conservation and enabling fisherman to earn a decent living is the biggest challenge to the CFP. Jim is involved in negotiating a new version of the CFP which will give Irish fishermen a better and fairer deal.
- **Petitions:** Jim believes that ordinary citizens should play a bigger part in shaping European legislation. Jim is a member of the Petitions Committee which acts as a vital tool to allow ordinary citizens and communities to make their voices heard.

Member of the College of Quaestors
Member of the Bureau of the European Parliament

Committees:

- Member of the Committee of Transport and Tourism
- Substitute Member of the Committee on Fisheries
- Substitute Member of the Committee on Petitions

Delegations:

- Member of the Delegation to the EU-Chile Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Member of the Delegation to the EU-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly
- Substitute Member of the Delegation for relations with Japan