Fortnightly links: is global poverty falling, South Sudan, celebrities and vaccinations, and more

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Vox explains who’s right and who’s wrong in the latest debate about whether global poverty is really falling.

The Guardian reports on the ongoing travails of South Sudan.

Jason Hickel writes on what he calls the real scandal of British aid: too much of it gets paid to British firms.

Are celebrities more effective than evidence in spreading the word about vaccinations on Twitter? An experiment in Indonesia offers an answer. (Gated; un-gated).

This CGD article looks at how DAC countries should engage with China in international development.

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