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**Kweku's Adoboli deportation**

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about the deportation of Kweku Adoboli.

Under UK law, foreign nationals who are sentenced to longer than four years in prison are automatically subject to being deported unless they can argue that there are compelling reasons to allow them to stay in the country. This exception exists for a purpose and is to be used in meritorious cases. In such cases it is at the disposal of the Home Secretary to exercise his discretion.

The unfair way in which our immigration system can treat people has been brought to light through the treatment of the Windrush Generation by the Government. The former Home Secretary Amber Rudd has said the Windrush cases were a result of procedures and processes getting in the way of understanding the circumstances facing the people.

In the light of that it is important that the Home Office consider the good work that Kweku has done in his community working with students, the Special Forces Leadership Programme and with several organisations to improve their corporate governance and compliance within the financial industry. In these circumstances the Home Office should take on board the words of Amber Rudd and not lose sight of the impact of its policies on individuals.

Thanks again to everyone who has contacted me about the case of Kweku Adoboli.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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