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*Dear Constance,*

**RE: IMMIGRATION, VISAS AND ASYLUM - CORONAVIRUS.**

Thank you for your recent correspondence in respect of immigration and visas as the Coronavirus outbreak continues; your comments upon which I have read with great interest.

This is of course an unprecedented time and I know the Home Office is working hard to ensure people are not unfairly affected by circumstances beyond their control. You may be pleased to know that the Government is keeping family immigration requirements under review and this includes the minimum income requirement. I have been assured that Ministers will make adjustments where it is necessary.

I understand that the Government has already introduced measures to support and help those with immigration status. If an individual is in the UK and their leave is expiring, their visa will be extended to the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020, if they are unable to leave the UK due to travel restrictions or self-isolation relating to Coronavirus.

More broadly, I appreciate it is difficult not to be concerned by the current situation, but it is essential that we all remain calm and follow the comprehensive public health advice, and the Government is taking all appropriate steps to try and protect and shield the public from this global disease, as far as we are able, and it is the case that we have global experts leading and informing the UK's response. That response is informed by the science and is evidence-based. We are also providing a comprehensive package of support to help people, businesses and communities through this challenging period, which will undoubtedly be responsive to the changing circumstances ahead.

Once again, thank you for having taken the time to contact me and if I can ever be of any further assistance to you then please do not hesitate to contact me again.

*With best wishes,*

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