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Dear Mr Walsh

I am writing to you regarding Irene Nakalema, due to be forcibly removed from the UK on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September on British Airways flight BA 63 at 21.10 hrs, from London Heathrow Airport to Entebbe for onward travel to Kampala.

Irene Nakalema came to the UK in April 2007 on a valid passport to attend a conference in Edinburgh. Whilst there and just before she was due to return to Uganda she received news from home that her husband had been seized from their home by armed men from the government. Irene's husband was a supporter of FDC (Forum for Democratic Change). He has not been seen or heard of since. Irene was then too terrified to return to Uganda, fearing that she too would be seized by the same group.

She immediately claimed asylum but was refused leave to remain. Despite her solicitor sending the actual newspaper from Uganda, which carried the report of her husband's disappearance and mentioned Irene as the wife, the Home Office refused to believe that he had been arrested and that Irene's life would be in danger if she returned to Uganda.

Their son Nadeem was born in June 2007 in Blackburn.

Immigration officials came to pick up Irene on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and she and her young son of 15 months were taken to Yarl's Wood Removal Centre. Nadeem now has diarrhoea and if it continues will certainly not be fit to travel.

Irene is terrified of being returned to Uganda. She has made a life for herself and her son in Blackburn, is a regular churchgoer and is settled in the community.

The UK Home Office says it is up to the carrier whether they carry deportees!

Please do not carry out the UK's enforcement policies. We want to regard BA as a humane airline!

Yours sincerely

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