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**Re: Abdi Mohamoud Mohamed Ahmed's HO Ref: A1312117**

Dear Jacqui Smith,

Abdi Ahmed came to this country at the age of four; he has been here for thirty years now. He does not have any family in Somalia, no connections nor any prospects. He grew up and was schooled in London. His entire family resides here. You might understand that the thought of returning to a country that is not even internationally recognised, a country marked by years of civil war, a country that he has no connection to or knowledge of is of great concern to Abdi, his family and friends and myself. Hence, I am writing to request for Abdi Ahmed to be allowed indefinite leave to remain in this country.

I am very shocked about the state of limbo Abdi has had to find himself in. He is constantly issued with deportation orders, and has spent almost the entire last year and a half in detention despite there clearly not being an imminent removal.

Abdi might have had a troubled past, reason enough to not be able and in a state of mind to consider applying for citizenship when the rest of his family did, but it is crucial to keep in mind that he grew up in *this* country and that he clearly is a product of *this* society, not one that is far away. Deporting him becomes a show-case for not facing this country's obvious failure to be an inclusive multicultural society that it presents itself as otherwise. Abdi has never been offered any form of treatment for past addiction problems and also never received any re-intergration help after a prison sentence for petty crimes. I am very alarmed that the Home Office show no misgivings whatsoever with regards to deporting someone who is suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder as well as Shock not only due to his prolonged detention, but due to the fear that he may never see his family again, let alone the danger that awaits him in Somalia. If his physical and mental health has failed to be addressed in the UK, I would like to point out that it will pose an even bigger problem in Somalia and that deporting him thus is a breach of Articles 3 and 8 of the European Convention of Human Rights.

I am highly appalled by this situation and urge you to reconsider his deportation order and use your discretion to allow him to remain in the UK.

Yours sincerely,

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