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Dear Home Secretary,

We are writing to you on behalf of a coalition of migrant-led groups, trade unions, frontline advice and support organisations, and policy and research bodies, representing hundreds of thousands of migrant workers across the UK. We wish to express our deep concern over the significant fears, confusion, and uncertainties faced by migrant workers in light of the Government's recent Immigration White Paper and various announcements in the last few months.

We note the recent House of Commons Library research briefing published on 3 June 2025, which clarifies some aspects of the White Paper proposals but leaves key questions unresolved for our migrant worker communities.

Many migrant workers—whether recently arrived to build their lives here or long-established members of our communities—are now left in a state of uncertainty regarding their futures. The proposed changes represent large-scale reforms to the visa and immigration system, directly impacting vital sectors of the economy. However, key groups such as those on existing settlement and citizenship pathways, overseas domestic workers, workers performing vital day-to-day functions, and those in critical sectors like social care remain unclear about how these proposals will affect their rights, security and status in the UK.

Moreover, the increased hostile rhetoric and actions targeting undocumented workers—who are integral members of our communities—has intensified fear, division, and even violence. This is deeply concerning not only for the individuals and communities affected but also for social cohesion more broadly.

In light of this, we kindly request a meeting at your earliest convenience to openly discuss the implications of these proposals, to listen to the experiences and concerns of our communities, to

seek reassurance about their futures, and to explore ways to ensure migrant workers' rights are protected and that they receive clear and accessible information to help navigate their lives in the UK.

We look forward to your prompt response.

Yours sincerely,

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