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Early Day Motions tabled on Friday 28 October 2022

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New EDMs

512 **Proposed re-opening of Haslar and Campsfield Immigration Removal Centres**

Tabled: 28/10/22 Signatories: 1

Layla Moran

That this House strongly opposes the Home Office's plan to re-open Haslar Immigration Removal Centre (IRC) in Gosport, Hampshire, which was closed down in 2015; notes the proposed re-opening of an IRC at the site of Campsfield House in Kidlington, Oxford, which combined with Haslar IRC will add a total of 1,000 new detention spaces, an increase of 33 per cent, and will cost the taxpayer £339 million; expresses concern that this reverses the Government's previous commitment to reducing the size and use of the immigration detention estate, made following Stephen Shaw's independent review of immigration detention in 2016 commissioned by the Home Office; believes that the £399 million of taxpayers' money could be spent in a more effective way to handle asylum cases humanely; further notes with concern that the re-opening of the IRCs has been specifically linked to the detainment of people before they are sent to Rwanda under the UK-Rwanda Migration and Economic Development Plan; further notes that seeking asylum is not a crime; raises concerns about the lack of effective safeguarding and inhumane conditions across the detention estate as a whole; remembers the 55 people known to have died whilst held under immigration powers since 2000, including 30 through suicide; calls on the Home Office to reverse its decision and to ensure that Haslar IRC remains closed; and calls for an end to the practice of indefinite detention in the UK.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

459 NHS workers' pay

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 14

Rachael Maskell
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Clive Lewis
Caroline Lucas

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the significant sacrifice that NHS workers, including paramedics and all ambulance staff, have made throughout the pandemic; further recognises that these are our everyday heroes serving our communities day in day out, often under extremely challenging circumstances; expresses its deep-felt appreciation to every person working across the NHS for all they do in serving the public; further notes the wider challenges facing the NHS after a decade of cuts and privatisation which are placing increasing pressures on the service making it harder to respond in a timely way to calls; notes that our health service is desperate for a comprehensive workforce plan and increased funding as waiting times are not acceptable; recognises these pressures and the imposition of an average 4 per cent pay rise have led NHS workers and ambulance staff to vote for strike action; calls on the Government to immediately increase funding which will go directly into NHS workers' pay; and urges the Government to come back with an immediate increased pay award.

464 Cost of using vehicles for work

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 30

Bob Blackman
Carla Lockhart
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Christine Jardine
Dan Jarvis

Rosie Cooper

Daisy Cooper

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the impact that the increase in fuel prices and motoring costs is having on those who rely on their cars and personal vehicles for carrying out their work duties, particularly those in the NHS, local government and social care; notes that the current mileage rates are outdated and require immediate and urgent review by HMRC to reflect the soaring cost-of-living increases so that these workers can continue to carry out their jobs; notes that low-paid public service workers cannot afford to upgrade their vehicles to new, fuel efficient options and that mileage rates for frontline workers should reflect that; understands that temporary higher rates provided by employers are welcome but do not provide enough relief; and calls on the Treasury to ensure rates are regularly updated in the future to genuinely reflect the cost of using a vehicle for work so that workers are protected from future fuel price spikes.

466 Fertility support in the workplace

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 8

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart
Gavin Robinson
Claire Hanna
Paul Girvan
Mr Gregory Campbell

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the huge impact and emotional distress experienced by the 3.5 million people affected by fertility issues every year in the UK; acknowledges the impacts of those issues and any subsequent fertility treatment will invariably have on the working life of all those affected; welcomes the data from the national charity Fertility Network UK that shows approximately 38 per cent of those facing treatment while working either consider leaving or leave their place of employment with huge consequences to both them and the organisation as a whole; urges the Government to ensure workplaces are offered guidance on best practice to support this group including implementation of workplace training, policies and reasonable adjustments; further urges support in calling for all workplaces to commit to recognition of infertility as a medical condition; welcomes the excellent work in this area of many organisations who are already leading the way with infertility support and the large numbers of charities who recently supported Fertility Network's letter to all parliamentarians around fertility in the workplace; and urges the Government to do everything it can to support individuals and organisations to continue to work while facing infertility.

468 Location of the British Embassy in Israel

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 10

Layla Moran [R]
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Stephens
Wendy Chamberlain
Caroline Lucas
Sarah Green

John McDonnell

That this House urges the Foreign Office to cease its review regarding the location of the British Embassy in Israel and commit to keeping the embassy in Tel Aviv; maintains that moving the British Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem without a negotiated peace settlement will inflame already heightened tensions in the region and will make peace harder to achieve; expresses its concern that the very act of a review is itself hugely inflammatory; notes that such a move would be a breach of international law; recalls how the decision by the United States to move their Embassy, under former President Trump, resulted in violent clashes which resulted in the deaths of around sixty people; and affirms its support for a two-state solution, in which Israel and Palestine both exist with secure boundaries based on the 1967 lines with two capitals in Jerusalem recognised in international law.

470 Proposed Energy Equity Commission Bill

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 11

Clive Lewis
Caroline Lucas
Nadia Whittome
Claire Hanna
Stephen Farry
Liz Saville Roberts

John McDonnell

That this House believes the Government's Energy Price Guarantee is socially unjust and fails to set the UK on the path to an energy secure future; expresses concern at estimates by National Energy Action that 6.7 million households could be pushed into fuel poverty, increasing from 4.5 million last year; acknowledges that access to energy enables heating, lighting, cooking, and connectivity which are necessary for a fulfilling and dignified life; believes everyone should have a warm, dry, and well-insulated home, and access to clean and affordable energy, as a basic right; welcomes that Fuel Poverty Action's demand for a universal band of free energy called Energy For All is supported by over a half a million members of the public; recognises the overwhelming public support for action on the climate crisis, and that a response to the energy price crisis must therefore advance decarbonisation rather than deepening fossil fuel dependency; believes that the Government must prioritise a transformation of the energy system as part of delivering a Green New Deal, with a focus on equity and rapid decarbonisation; and calls on the Government to bring forward an Energy Equity Commission Bill to replace the price cap system with a free universal basic energy allowance supplemented by Social Tariff, alongside a retrofitting strategy for the Nations including proposals for a street-by-street retrofit programme led by devolved administrations and local authorities, to ensure every home is warm in winter and cool in summer, and that energy saving is encouraged and supported.

471 The Leiden Declaration and support for children with speech and language difficulties

Tabled: 17/10/22 Signatories: 10

Geraint Davies
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Jeremy Corbyn
Paul Girvan
Christine Jardine

John McDonnell

That this House acknowledges that language is the gateway to lifelong wellbeing, including educational attainment with huge economic and social benefits; notes the research which shows that language is the route to education and one of the strongest predictors of quality of life and well-being; is therefore concerned that around 10 per cent of children, have language difficulties, either on their own or associated with another condition such as hearing impairment or a learning disability; further notes that children living in areas of social disadvantage are at greater risk of delayed language development; notes that these may be associated with behavioural problems, school drop-out or exclusion, mental health problems, unemployment and even criminality; notes that timely action will lead to greater employability, independent living, social mobility and cohesion; therefore calls on the Government to support the recommendations of the Leiden declaration of 2021; and calls for national leaders to (i) screen all children for language needs and follow-up assessment throughout the school journey, (ii) acknowledge language difficulties as a

disability wherever appropriate with support and intervention, (iii) provide language support for children from multidisciplinary teams, training and empower teachers to provide communication-supportive classroom environments and (iv) develop in school curricula and education policies that are informed by an understanding of typical language development and how best to promote it.

473 Gulf Strategy Fund and potential rights violations against death row inmates in Bahrain

Tabled: 18/10/22 Signatories: 6

Layla Moran
Jonathan Edwards
Wendy Chamberlain
Rachael Maskell
Ben Lake
John McDonnell

That this House raises grave concerns following the 10 October 2022 report from the Bahrain Institute for Rights and Democracy and Human Rights Watch which documents a litany of human rights violations against death row inmates in which recipients of UK taxpayer-funded Gulf Strategy Fund (GSF) programmes, including Bahrain's Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Interior Ombudsman and Special Investigations Unit, are implicated; is further concerned at evidence that Bahrain's courts have sentenced defendants to death following manifestly unfair trials, based on confessions allegedly coerced through torture and ill-treatment; decries that those courts dismissed credible allegations of torture and ill-treatment instead of investigating them and routinely violated defendants' rights to fair trials; highlights that persistent rights violations which contravene international law underlie the convictions and death sentences of cases of eight men, who are among 26 on death row in Bahrain at imminent risk of execution; expresses further concern that Bahrain's judiciary and oversight bodies implicated in perpetrating violations against torture victims sentenced to death benefit from UK taxpayer-funded programmes under the GSF, and did so at the time of their abuse; reiterates calls to suspend the GSF pending an independent inquiry into its programmes' implications in rights violations against death row inmates; urges the Government to implement this report's recommendations, publicly condemn the death sentences of Maher Abbas al-Khabbaz, Sayed Ahmed al-Abar, Zuhair Ebrahim Jasim Abdullah, Husain Ebrahim Ali Husain Marzooq, Husain Moosa, Mohamed Ramadhan, Husain Ali Mehdi and Salman Isa Ali Salman; and calls upon Bahrain to release them.

477 County lines and child criminal exploitation

Tabled: 19/10/22 Signatories: 6

Helen Morgan
Jonathan Edwards
Mohammad Yasin
Jim Shannon
Rachael Maskell
John McDonnell

That this House is alarmed at the expansion of county lines networks, recently exacerbated by covid-19; calls for clarification of laws to ensure that all young people who are groomed, coerced and controlled into committing crime are recognised as victims of trafficking and exploitation; advocates the adoption of a new public health approach to drug prevention that works with schools, pupil referral units and providers for those outside of mainstream education; notes the need for new local safeguarding partnerships enabling multi-agency work to identify and respond

to child criminal exploitation; further notes that a system is required for seamlessly sharing data across borders and agencies and disrupting grooming and criminality that has migrated from the streets to encrypted apps; and calls upon the Government to introduce a stand-alone national strategy on child criminal exploitation that includes these recommendations as a matter of urgency.

478 **Global hunger and the UN Sustainable Development Goals**

Tabled: **19/10/22** Signatories: **31**

Tony Lloyd
Patrick Grady
Caroline Lucas
Dan Carden
Neale Hanvey
Claudia Webbe

John McDonnell

That this House believes the lack of attention paid to global hunger has exacerbated this long-term and widespread issue; is concerned by warnings from the World Food Programme (WFP) of another year of record hunger; notes the number of hungry people globally increased from 282 million to 345 million during 2022; highlights that a fifth of the total population of Africa went hungry in 2021; further highlights that the WFP is currently holding back famine in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Yemen while hunger in Haiti is also reaching catastrophic levels; notes that Oxfam says food shortages are likely to cause one death every 36 seconds until the end of the year; further notes that hunger displaces millions of people who must search for sanctuary elsewhere; emphasises that these crises are caused by a combination of global factors including climate change, conflict and economic instability; recognises that the covid-19 pandemic led to an increased gap in the funding required to tackle global hunger; is dismayed that the world is set to fail the UN Sustainable Development Goal of Zero Hunger by 2030, with the percentage of the global population affected by hunger on track to reach almost 10 per cent by that year; highlights that a senior Somali Government official recently said the UK has lost its leading role on this issue; and calls on the Government to re-establish the UK as a leading actor by restoring the commitment to spending 0.7 per cent of GNI on international aid.

481 **Radiotherapy and the 10-Year Cancer Plan**

Tabled: **20/10/22** Signatories: **9**

Tim Farron
Jonathan Edwards
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Rachael Maskell

Carla Lockhart

John McDonnell

That this House recognises that the cancer backlog is a national health emergency which urgently needs tackling and that cancer is the most time-critical and dangerous of all backlogs; further recognises that radiotherapy is an essential, readily available, high-tech and vital cancer treatment needed in 50 percent of cancer treatments and in 40 percent of cancer cures, which is internationally recognised as a model solution for cancer backlog recovery and can help reduce the waiting lists; but notes that the radiotherapy service is overlooked and currently only receives

5 percent of the NHS cancer budget; and therefore calls on the Government to ensure a new fully funded radiotherapy strategy is included in the upcoming 10-Year Cancer Plan.

483 Ministerial severance payments

Tabled: 20/10/22 Signatories: 17

Alyn Smith
Douglas Chapman
Dr Philippa Whitford
Jonathan Edwards
Stewart Malcolm McDonald
Anne McLaughlin

John McDonnell

That this House recognises that the Ministerial and other Pensions and Salaries Act 1991 states that where a Minister of eligible age ceases to hold office and is not reappointed to a ministerial office within three weeks, they will be entitled to a severance payment of a quarter of their ministerial annual salary; notes that this legislation is extremely generous for Ministers who hold positions for less than 12 weeks; and calls on the Government to amend this legislation.

486 Statutory maternity pay

Tabled: 21/10/22 Signatories: 11

Ed Davey
Stephen Farry
Wera Hobhouse
Wendy Chamberlain
Jonathan Edwards
Jim Shannon

John McDonnell

That this House recognises the current legal framework for qualifying for statutory maternity pay is poorly suited to 21st century working life; notes with concern the potential limits this policy places on women's freedom to choose where they work, especially amidst the current cost of living crisis; recognises the lack of a statutory duty for prospective employers to disclose their maternity policies to prospective candidates prior to employment; and calls on the Government to reform the current provisions so that women who have held different jobs can transfer their length of employment as they change jobs for the purpose of qualifying for statutory maternity pay.

487 Cost of living and unpaid carers

Tabled: 21/10/22 Signatories: 20

Ed Davey
 Helen Morgan
 Mr Alistair Carmichael
 Richard Foord
 Daisy Cooper
 Stephen Farry

Carla Lockhart

John McDonnell

Claudia Webbe

That this House notes with concern the findings of Carers UK's survey entitled Heading for crisis: Caught between caring and rising costs, which reports that the cost of living crisis is plunging thousands of unpaid carers across the UK into debt; recognises that many family carers cannot make decisions to cut back on food or heating to stay afloat without affecting the safety of the person they care for; acknowledges the enormous financial burden people on Carers Allowance face, as they are limited in their ability to earn income but often shoulder additional costs for their loved ones out of their own pocket; condemns the lack of adequate financial support available for unpaid carers, with 39 percent of survey respondents saying they are struggling to make ends meet; and calls on the Government to immediately provide carers with the support they need by uprating Carers Allowance at least in line with inflation.

488 Support for mortgage interest

Tabled: 21/10/22 Signatories: 6

Mark Tami
 Jonathan Edwards
 Jim Shannon
 Rachael Maskell
 Claire Hanna
 John McDonnell

That this House notes that the mechanisms of Support for Mortgage Interest were designed at a point in time when both inflation and interest rates were more stable; recognises that many of those in receipt of Support for Mortgage Interest receive significantly less than their required payments and must make up the balance from subsistence benefits; appreciates the challenges inherent in designing a system that is fair to all taxpayers whilst preventing homelessness and poverty; believes that in the current cost of living crisis that the present system is failing to meet these goals; takes particular note in this context of the mechanism for setting the maximum rate payable using the Bank of England average mortgage rate which causes delays in recognising rate increases; further recognises the significant disparity between the generosity of the local housing allowance system to landlords with buy-to-let mortgages and Support for Mortgage Interest which is repayable; and calls on the Government to undertake a review of this system as a matter of urgency.

490 **World Stroke Day**

Tabled: 24/10/22 Signatories: 17

Sir Robert Neill
 Jim Shannon
 Sir Greg Knight
 Mohammad Yasin
 Jonathan Edwards
 Apsana Begum

Carla Lockhart

Wendy Chamberlain

John McDonnell

That this House recognises World Stroke Day, which takes place on 29 October; understands that over 100,000 strokes happen every year in the UK; is aware of thrombectomy, a game-changing treatment that significantly reduces disability after stroke; notes that emergency response time is crucial to the survival and recovery of a person experiencing stroke, and that improving this aligns with the Government's health priorities; and calls on the Government to support improved ambulance response times and access to specialist services, including thrombectomy.

492 **ADHD Awareness Month 2022**

Tabled: 24/10/22 Signatories: 17

Kirsten Oswald
 Allan Dorans
 Jim Shannon
 Jonathan Edwards
 Apsana Begum
 Amy Callaghan

Carla Lockhart

John McDonnell

Patrick Grady

That this House recognises that October is Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) awareness month, which aims to raise awareness and highlight the shared experiences of one of the most common neurodevelopmental conditions affecting children and adults across the world; notes that neurodiversity matters and that for children aged between five and 15 years old in the UK, 3.62 per cent of boys were considered to have ADHD compared to just 0.85 per cent of girls, raising questions regarding the potential underdiagnosis of female ADHD; recognises that there can be important differences in how ADHD presents in males and females and that this may explain why it is not uncommon for women with ADHD to be diagnosed as adults; notes the importance of effective support for the benefit of the individual with ADHD and their family; agrees that people are all different and that people should appreciate the many advantages associated with different ways of thinking, while celebrating their differences; and applauds groups and campaign organisations across the UK for their work both in supporting those with ADHD and helping to share knowledge and information with the wider community.

493 Global Registry of Fossil FuelsTabled: **24/10/22** Signatories: **16**

Caroline Lucas
Dan Carden
Wera Hobhouse
Tommy Sheppard
Zarah Sultana
Martyn Day

John McDonnell

Claudia Webbe

That this House notes that the 2021 UNEP Production Gap Report found that governments plan to produce more than twice the amount of fossil fuels in 2030 than is consistent with limiting warming to 1.5°C and calls for verifiable and comparable data on the location, quantities and ownership of fossil fuels; notes that, to date, climate change policy efforts have not focussed on reducing supply of those fuels; welcomes the launch of a new Global Registry of Fossil Fuels, the world's first public database of fossil fuel production and reserves expressed in CO₂-equivalent, which is designed to give policymakers, investors and civil society the asset level data to help manage the phase-out of fossil fuels; is alarmed that the Global Registry shows producing and combusting the world's known fossil fuel reserves would emit over seven times more greenhouse gas emissions than the remaining carbon budget for 1.5C and more than all emissions produced since the industrial revolution; believes that the Registry will help give markets information to estimate which assets are likely to become stranded, act as a carbon budget assessment tool, help just transition planning, and promote government accountability for fossil fuel reserves and production within national territories; calls on the UK Government to join the governments of countries such as Germany, France, Tuvalu and Ireland, which have given diplomatic support to the Registry, and to commit to reporting to the Registry, which currently contains data for over 50,000 fields in 89 countries, covering 75 percent of global production.

495 90th anniversary of Donaghadee Male Voice ChoirTabled: **25/10/22** Signatories: **6**

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Stephen Farry
Mr Gregory Campbell
Patricia Gibson
Carla Lockhart

That this House notes and celebrates the 90th anniversary of Donaghadee Male Voice Choir; further notes the founding of the Choir in 1932 and that it is the oldest male choir in Northern Ireland; underlines its popularity with over 50 members and its large repertoire which includes church music, show tunes, folk songs and classical pieces; highlights that the memory of those who passed on is honoured by members and that they continue to go from strength to strength; and praises the work and continuous success done thus far and wishes the choir, chairmen and presidents all the very best for the future of the Choir.

496 90 Years of Greenmount Campus of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 4

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Mr Gregory Campbell
Carla Lockhart

That this House celebrates 90 years of the Greenmount Campus of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise and its establishment in 1932; notes the work undertaken by the association to offer those interested courses in the agri-food sector and rural environment which often leads to many career opportunities in that field; further notes the ongoing dedication to deliver these courses online throughout the covid pandemic to ensure the agri-food sector is not left behind; highlights the three campuses in Northern Ireland in Greenmount, Enniskillen and Loughry and the Department's commitments to ensuring young people are offered opportunities in the rural sector; further highlights the variety of sectors work is offered in, including veterinary practice, machinery, food stuff and floristry; and thanks the Association for their work in the Agri-sector and wishes them all the best for the future.

500 Orstead UK wind operations

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 6

John McDonnell
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens
Kim Johnson
Rachael Maskell
Claudia Webbe

That this House condemns the behaviour of Orstead UK wind operations in the way it has failed consistently to maintain decent standards of employment, including health and safety standards, while it has resorted to bullying workers who have exposed health and safety failures and the lack of adherence to safe working practices; further notes the company's growing reputation for profiteering at the expense of its workers' health and safety, wage levels and conditions of employment; and expresses deep concern at the refusal of the company to recognise the Rail and Maritime Union (RMT), the union organising the company's workforce.

501 Avanti West Coast contract extension

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 8

Hywel Williams
Chris Stephens
Kim Johnson
Rachael Maskell
Dan Carden
Liz Saville Roberts

John McDonnell

That this House opposes the decision by the Department for Transport to grant the operator of the West Coast Main Line, Avanti West Coast, a six month contract extension; notes the importance of the line for millions of passengers such as those from the north of Wales and the north west of England who travel on it every year; is disappointed with the extremely poor service which Avanti has provided to passengers in recent years with cancellations, significant delays, overcrowding and high ticket prices now common which has resulted in many people traveling by car; further

notes that Avanti paid out £11.5 million in dividends for the year 31 March 2021; and calls for the Government to remove the franchise from Avanti and to implement a publicly-run service that benefits both passengers and workers.

502 Women's Health and Hormone Replacement Therapy

Tabled: 25/10/22 Signatories: 11

Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Jamie Stone
Layla Moran
Jim Shannon
Chris Stephens

John McDonnell

Claudia Webbe

That this House recognises that women's health has never been more in the news, especially concerning the problems with women accessing Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) drugs; notes that despite a new health strategy there remain fundamental differences between the way that men and women are treated in the NHS; further notes that in some conditions such as heart attacks, the symptoms for men and women can be quite different, with women often experiencing shortness of breath, feeling or being sick and back or jaw pain as heart attack symptoms; laments the fact that coronary heart disease kills more than twice as many women as breast cancer in the UK every year and that each year more than 30,000 women are admitted to hospital in the UK due to a heart attack; is concerned that female symptoms of heart attack are not well known; and calls on the Government to publicise female heart attack symptoms more widely, so that more women can recognise they may be having a heart attack and seek emergency help.

504 BBC Radio services to global audiences

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 14

Grahame Morris
Jamie Stone
Caroline Lucas
Chris Stephens
Liz Saville Roberts
Claire Hanna

Claudia Webbe

Patrick Grady

That this House recognises the tremendous value of BBC radio broadcasts in providing a global audience with a reliable, accurate and trustworthy source of news and information; is concerned at the recent cuts announced to BBC World Service, with the loss of hundreds of experienced journalists' jobs, and also to several dedicated BBC foreign language services which will now move to digital-only provision; notes that, as the experience in Ukraine has demonstrated, radio provides a vital life-line where digital-only services are lost owing to the blocking of internet access; is further concerned about the impact of the closure of BBC Persian radio and BBC Arabic radio in the light of recent events in Iran; and therefore calls on BBC management to review and reverse these cuts, and on the Government to return responsibility for the funding of BBC World Service to the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

505 Experiences of cancer support and services

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 5

Amy Callaghan
Jim Shannon
Liz Saville Roberts
Patricia Gibson
Patrick Grady

That this House commends the work of local authorities in Scotland, including East Dunbartonshire, on Improving the Cancer Journey; understands that cancer does not just affect physical wellbeing it impacts upon every aspect of life whether its financial, emotional, medical, or practical; notes this work helps to support people affected by cancer, their families, and carers by providing structured individualised help as soon as they need it; recognises that holistic support after diagnosis enables those living with cancer and beyond to live as well and independently as possible; further recognises the likelihood of this work to improve cancer outcomes and save lives; and further notes that these services work in partnership with Macmillan Cancer Support in Scotland.

506 Regulation of loot boxes in video games

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 5

Dr Philippa Whitford
Rachael Maskell
Patricia Gibson
Carol Monaghan
Patrick Grady

That this House notes that the Government's recent call for evidence on the use of loot boxes in video games concluded that they may be linked to a range of potential harms and that there is a correlation between purchasing loot boxes and problem gambling as, while they do not meet the definition of gambling under the Gambling Act 2005 because the prize cannot be converted into money, they commonly provide a random reward which makes the purchase a gamble and are offered to the player in the heat of the game thereby putting the player under pressure to make the purchase; further notes that research by GambleAware highlighted that 93 per cent of children regularly play video games, with 25-40 per cent of them having purchased loot boxes; is concerned at the continued unregulated use of loot boxes in online games, particularly those aimed at children; welcomes the decision to have a DCMS-led technical working group to strengthen industry-led protections for children and adults to support safe gaming; and calls on the Government to bring forward legislation to remove loot boxes from games classified as Under 18 and to limit the cost and total expenditure of such in-game purchases.

507 Cardinal Allen Catholic High School and Geography Quality Mark Centre of Excellence

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 3

Cat Smith
Jim Shannon
Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates Cardinal Allen Catholic High School in Fleetwood on their Secondary Geography Quality Mark Centre of Excellence; notes that the school is one of just 132 schools to achieve the prestigious Geography Quality Mark which recognises and promotes quality and progress in geography leadership, curriculum development and learning and teaching in schools; and congratulates Cardinal Allen Catholic High School in this fantastic and well-deserved achievement.

508 Industrial action at Hinduja Global Solutions

Tabled: 26/10/22 Signatories: 6

Kim Johnson
John McDonnell
Rachael Maskell
Dan Carden
Beth Winter
Claudia Webbe

That this House supports members of the Public and Commercial Services Union who are employed by Hinduja Global Services as part of the Disclosure and Barring Service contract who are on strike in a long-running dispute over pay and terms and conditions; notes that staff working on this contract are demanding the real living wage of £10.90 per hour; is aware that the current pay offer from Hinduja Global Services of 3.25 per cent would result in many staff continuing to earn well below the real living wage at a time of rising inflation; further notes that Hinduja Global Services is owned by one of the richest families in the UK who have amassed a fortune of over £24 billion and can afford to pay its staff a real living wage; and calls on the Government to intervene in this dispute to ensure that these dedicated workers are treated fairly and receive adequate pay which reflects the rising cost of living.

510 Industrial relations at Ørsted

Tabled: 27/10/22 Signatories: 4

Mick Whitley
Ian Mearns
Kate Hollern
John McDonnell

That this House is concerned by industrial relations at offshore wind multinational Ørsted, which is majority-owned by the Danish Government; notes that a 3.5 per cent consolidated pay increase has been rejected by RMT members working out of Birkenhead, Brightlingsea, Grimsby and Barrow on Ørsted's operational offshore wind farms powering UK homes, schools, hospitals and businesses; further notes that the RPI inflation rate, used for pay negotiations, stands at 12.6 per cent, which is accelerating the cost of living crisis; regrets that Ørsted is refusing to discuss this pay dispute with trade union representatives from RMT; further notes that Ørsted recorded a profit of £644 million in the first quarter of 2022, a staggering 257 per cent increase from the same period a year earlier; applauds the hard work of Ørsted's workers in the UK in delivering this increased profitability in safe and sustainable working conditions; is alarmed by RMT reports that a union member is being victimised for raising genuine health and safety concerns with this employer; fully supports a worker-led safety culture in the offshore renewables sector; and calls on the Government to ensure that the safety and employment rights of offshore wind workers at Ørsted and at renewable energy companies across the UK Exclusive Economic Zone are fully respected.

511 Adopting ILO Convention 169 – Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention

Tabled: 27/10/22 Signatories: 3

Lloyd Russell-Moyle
John McDonnell
Claudia Webbe

That this House notes with sadness the recent death in Brazil of an indigenous man who was the last of his tribe and known as The Man of the Hole; recognises that he was the only inhabitant left of the Tanaru Indigenous Territory in Rondonia state in the Western Brazilian Amazon and that his death represents a symbol of indigenous genocide; condemns the fact that the rest of his tribe had been massacred in a series of attacks since the 1970s; recognises that international organisation Survival say that with his death the genocide of his people is complete... the deliberate wiping out of an entire people by cattle ranchers hungry for land and wealth; condemns President Bolsnoaro's discriminatory and hostile approach to indigenous peoples; notes with concern that the UK is not a signatory to ILO (International Labour Organisation) Convention 169 – Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention 1989, a set of international laws designed to protect the rights of indigenous peoples despite British companies operating and trading with others within the Amazon region and other tribal areas; and calls upon the Government to immediately sign up to ILO Convention 169 and stand in solidarity with indigenous and tribal peoples whose rights and land must be protected.