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New EDMs

1234 Priority groups for covid-19 vaccinations

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Jon Trickett

That this House pays tribute to the selfless role key workers have played throughout the covid-19 pandemic; notes that in addition to health and social care workers, workers in key occupations have an increased risk of exposure to covid-19, with ONS data showing that during the first wave of covid-19 security guards, taxi and bus drivers, cleaners, mechanics and retail workers were at greater risk of death from the virus; believes it is right that elderly and vulnerable citizens along with care home workers and health and social care workers are to be prioritised for the rollout of any covid-19 vaccine; further believes that all other key workers should be prioritised for a vaccine rollout in addition to the elderly, vulnerable and health workers; and calls on the Government to amend its interim advice on priority groups for covid-19 vaccination in order to reflect this.

1235 Gross Domestic Wellbeing

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 8

Caroline Lucas
Sir Peter Bottomley
Jon Cruddas
Wera Hobhouse
Liz Saville Roberts
Clive Lewis

Geraint Davies

Mohammad Yasin

That this House welcomes the publication of the innovative Gross Domestic Wellbeing Index by the Carnegie UK Trust; recognises that GDP growth is a poor indicator of progress; welcomes the aim of developing holistic approaches to understanding and measuring progress that include social, environmental, economic and democratic wellbeing; notes that Gross Domestic Wellbeing Index was

decreasing in the UK even prior to the covid-19 pandemic whilst GDP was increasing; acknowledges the conclusions drawn from over 40 independent reviews and commissions that the cornerstones of government decision making for wellbeing are prevention, participatory democracy, equalities, localism, integration and long-termism; and calls on the Government to accept the report's recommendations to hold a national conversation on wellbeing in England to inform an update of ONS wellbeing indicators, and to put wellbeing at the heart of all policy making, including budgets, as part of Building Back Better.

1236 The APPG for Inclusive Entrepreneurship's recognition awards

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Dr Lisa Cameron

That this house celebrates the outstanding achievements of all those individuals and organizations who received special commendations during the APPG for Inclusive Entrepreneurship's Recognition Award's Ceremony that was held on the 17 November 2020 as part of Global Entrepreneurship Week particularly: Laura Draper and her ethical clothing company Gooseberry Pink, Sara McKee for her contribution to the Arts, James Holt for his contribution to music, Monzur Miah for his entrepreneurship in setting up Monty's Flowers, Helene Martin-Gee for her work towards equality for women in enterprise, Jane Cordell for championing disability rights, Grant Logan for his work around digital innovation and education, Yemi Jackson for her work on equitable recruitment, Steve Hopwood for his contribution to transportation and motorsport and Lady Sharon Farley Mason for her work in redefining and glamorising mobility aids; recognises the broader contribution of disabled entrepreneurs to the UK economy; and notes, with regret, that many people have immense entrepreneurial talent and potential largely left untapped by Government initiative, calling on Government to support inclusive entrepreneurship in rebuilding the economy.

1237 UN 16 Days campaign and GMB Work to Stop Domestic Abuse Charter

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Sarah Owen

That this House marks the UN 16 days of activism against gender-based violence run from 25th November, UN International Day of Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10th December, Human Rights Day, highlighting the link between violence against women and human rights; notes that GMB union launched its campaign and GMB Work to Stop Domestic Abuse Charter two years ago; and further notes that domestic abuse is a workplace issue and employers including hon. Members should support the campaign.

1238 Situation in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Robert Halfon

That this House endorses the statement of 24 November to the Security Council by Jeanine Hennis-Plasschaert, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq; agrees that Iraq faces several interlinked and mutually reinforcing crises and that the devastating economic impact of covid will probably outlast the pandemic; shares her view that a constructive relationship between federal Iraq and the Kurdistan Region underpins the stability of Iraq; deeply regrets the continuing impasse on federal budget payments to Kurdistan for civil servants' pay who, in her view, should be shielded from political disputes rather than collectively victimized; agrees that constructive negotiations between Baghdad and Erbil are hampered by 15 years of unclear constitutional guidance, which cannot be ignored as it will block lasting solutions; agrees that

the recent agreement between Baghdad and Erbil on the governance of the disputed territory of Sinjar is the first step towards stable security structures followed by a unified administration there; believes that such agreements can then be rolled out to other disputed territories, especially Kirkuk, and as part of greater co-ordination between the Peshmerga and the Iraqi Army to tackle Daesh extremists who operate in the no man's land between the two forces; and urges the Government to encourage negotiated solutions on all outstanding issues based on the provisions of the federal constitution of Iraq and the rights of the Kurdistan people.

1239 **Debenhams and the Arcadia Group**

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 2

Chris Law
Mohammad Yasin

That this House expresses its concern for the estimated 26,000 workers affected by this week's announcements by both Debenhams and the Arcadia Group that they will be entering administration; recognises that many of these workers will have worked for these companies for much of their life and may have to find new work in an extremely challenging job market; further expresses its concern for what this will mean for local High Streets and those in these companies' supply chains across the country who will be affected; calls on the Government to do what it can to ensure that pension pots are protected despite these announcements; and further calls upon the Government to work with trade unions and workers affected in ensuring that those affected are treated fairly and adequately throughout this process.

1240 **Contribution of Melanie Tonks to the communities of Arrochar, Tarbet and Succoth**

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Brendan O'Hara

That this House acknowledges the outstanding contribution made to the communities of Arrochar, Tarbet and Succoth by Melanie Tonks since she and her late husband Billy moved to Argyll & Bute in 1999 and remembers their generosity in regularly providing a holiday chalet for people with learning difficulties free of charge; recognises Melanie's long standing involvement in the Arrochar & Tarbet Community Development Trust and her important contribution in helping organise the annual 3 Villages GalaFest; pays tribute to the excellent service she has provided to local people since becoming Postmistress of the Arrochar Post Office in 2016, while simultaneously voluntarily running the 3 Villages Pit Stop Community Café from the same premises; notes she has also provided a shopping service for those in the community unable to do this themselves, as well as delivered daily care to an elderly person in the locality; sincerely thanks her for work in preparing food for distribution to those local people most in need during the current covid-19 pandemic; and thanks her for her outstanding commitment to this rural community and wishes her all the very best on her retirement.

1241 **Nadine Marshall and revised probation instructions**

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Liz Saville Roberts

That this House congratulates Nadine Marshall for securing vital revisions to the probation instructions on Serious Further Offending; recognises that these changes mean that families of victims will now be entitled to timely and transparent information when an offender subject to

supervision goes on to kill; remembers Nadine's son, Conner, who was murdered in March 2015 when he was only 18 years old by an offender subject to probation supervision in the community; and calls on the Government to address staff shortages in the probation system in order to help prevent repeats of cases like Conner's in the future.

1242 Royal Scottish National Orchestra tribute to the people of Belarus

Tabled: 3/12/20 Signatories: 1

Alison Thewliss

That this House acknowledges the work of the Royal Scottish National Orchestra who have demonstrated solidarity with their friends in Belarus through the commissioning and performance of Three Belarusian Folk Songs; recognises that the work is a tribute to the peaceful protests of the Belarusian people seeking to uphold their nation's democracy and thanks the RSNO for highlighting this important issue and offering support; warmly congratulates Christopher Gough for composing the piece; thanks soloist Aleksei Kiseliiov and all of the musicians, as well as the RSNO's technical team, for bringing the work to a worldwide audience despite the challenges posed by covid-19; and commends the RSNO for continuing to bring music into people's lives through delivery of their Digital Season, ensuring that the restrictions that people living with do not limit the enjoyment of the arts which has been, and will continue to be, so vital during this difficult year.

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.

1167 In-person immigration bail reporting

Tabled: 19/11/20 Signatories: 17

Olivia Blake
Rachel Hopkins
Claudia Webbe
Kim Johnson
Apsana Begum
Paula Barker

Sarah Olney

That this House notes that immigration bail reporting was suspended for the duration of the first covid-19 lockdown in the interest of public health and that individuals were permitted to, and did successfully, report safely from home via phone or text for the duration of the lockdown; further notes that despite the global pandemic, in-person reporting has resumed for the second national lockdown; and calls on the Government to immediately suspend all physical immigration bail reporting until the end of the second national lockdown, and to continue this beyond the national lockdown for any regions with additional covid-19 public health restrictions.

1172 Charity lotteries and the Gambling ReviewTabled: **23/11/20** Signatories: **7**

Daisy Cooper
Sir Mike Penning
Ronnie Cowan
Tommy Sheppard
Jim Shannon
Ben Lake

Layla Moran

That this House welcomes the Government's intention to review the Gambling Act 2005, especially in light of the need to tackle problem gambling; notes the huge success of charity lotteries in raising funds for a wide range of good causes across the country, which is particularly important given the impact of the covid-19 outbreak on charity fundraising; notes that charity lotteries, although classed as a gambling product are widely considered low risk from a problem gambling perspective; and calls on the Government to recognise this distinction between charity lotteries and the rest of the gambling sector as it reviews the Gambling Act 2005 and ensure that policy on that matter is differentiated accordingly.

1174 Public sector pay freeze and hon. Members pay riseTabled: **23/11/20** Signatories: **7**

Sir Mike Penning
Gavin Robinson
Mr Gregory Campbell
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Jonathan Edwards
Carla Lockhart

Jim Shannon

That this House calls on the Government not to bring in a public sector pay freeze; notes that public sector workers, including our armed forces, have done the country proud during the covid-19 pandemic crisis and all too often have gone beyond the call of duty and put their lives at risk; and further notes that if such a pay freeze is contemplated hon. Members should be included in such a freeze as they are also public sector employees.

1176 VAT Retail Export SchemeTabled: **23/11/20** Signatories: **24**

Tracey Crouch
Sir Peter Bottomley
Bob Blackman
Andrew Rosindell
Sir Desmond Swayne
Jack Lopresti

Patricia Gibson

John McNally

Christian Wakeford

That this House expresses its concern at the Government's decision to abolish the VAT Retail Export Scheme, otherwise known as tax-free shopping, from 1 January 2021 with inaccurate determinations having been made of the impact of that decision; acknowledges that since that decision was announced, businesses have been facing the challenges posed by new covid-19 restrictions and that that decision will worsen that situation; believes that by implementing

that decision thousands of job losses could be caused around the UK; recognises that since that announcement, France has lowered its threshold for international shoppers to claim back VAT and Ireland has extended its scheme to include the UK, making the UK the least competitive market in Europe for international shoppers; notes that no businesses have spoken up publicly in favour of that move but many have warned of its consequences; calls on the Government to avoid causing significant damage to the retail and hospitality sector in the UK and to not bring forward the required legislation to implement that decision; and further calls on hon. Members to vote to annul any Statutory Instrument on that matter if it is laid before this House.

1180 Re-open churches for public worship

Tabled: 24/11/20 Signatories: 7

Mr Gregory Campbell
Gavin Robinson
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Carla Lockhart
Bob Blackman
Sir Peter Bottomley

Jim Shannon

That this House notes the discussions taking place between the Government and the devolved legislatures on a greater degree of consensus on how various restrictions are implemented in the run up to Christmas; and calls on the Government to include in the discussions the issue of the re-opening of churches for public worship, during what is for many people a very significant and important time of year.

1181 Conflict in Ethiopia

Tabled: 24/11/20 Signatories: 11

Layla Moran
Jamie Stone
Ed Davey
Jonathan Edwards
Daisy Cooper
Sarah Olney

Jim Shannon

That this House is deeply concerned about the escalation of conflict in Ethiopia; condemns the deliberate killing of innocent civilians; sends its sincerest condolences to all those who have tragically lost loved ones as a result; notes the estimated 4,000 refugees per day fleeing Ethiopia; further notes the UNHRC's warning of a full-scale humanitarian crisis if the conflict continues without imminent de-escalation; calls on the Government to use all diplomatic means it can to assist de-escalating the violence and resolving the underlying conflict; and therefore also urges the Government to ensure the Official Development Assistance budget is maintained to ensure Ethiopian civilians receive adequate support and aid.

1182 The situation in IranTabled: **24/11/20** Signatories: **9**

Layla Moran
Jamie Stone
Ed Davey
Jonathan Edwards
Daisy Cooper
Sarah Olney

Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the people of Iran are suffering terribly as a result of covid-19; acknowledges that it is vital that medical aid and other humanitarian assistance reaches them; notes that the coronavirus crisis does not stop at any border; and therefore calls on the Government to work with its partners and allies to ensure that there is a coordinated international response to the pandemic; further calls on the Government to work with international and EU partners to revive the Iran nuclear deal as a step toward greater stability in the region; urges the Government to secure the indefinite release of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe and other UK-Iran dual nationals held in Iran; and further notes that the violation of individuals' human rights is never acceptable, and that the UK, Iran and others must work together to ensure this does not occur.

1185 30th Anniversary of Castle Espie Centre in ComberTabled: **25/11/20** Signatories: **4**

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
John McNally
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

That this House notes the 30th Anniversary of Castle Espie Centre in Comber; congratulates the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust Centre, who do phenomenal work in biodiversity and protecting the natural environment, on reaching this wonderful milestone; and extends best wishes for the future of this wonderful information and environmental centre that promotes the 4 priorities of using wetlands to tackle climate change by capturing carbon, reducing flooding, support biodiversity and improve human well-being.

1188 Financial support for self employed people during the covid-19 outbreakTabled: **25/11/20** Signatories: **22**

Jon Trickett
Ian Lavery
Claudia Webbe
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Paula Barker

Mohammad Yasin

That this House notes with concern research from the National Audit Office which has found that 2.9 million freelancers, contractors and newly self-employed are excluded from the Government's Self-Employment Income Support Scheme and analysis from the Institute for Fiscal Studies, which estimates that 38 per cent of individuals with self-employment income are ineligible for the support scheme; expresses disappointment that whilst the latest version of the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme expands levels of financial support available, an expansion of eligibility for the scheme has not been forthcoming from the Government; believes that the continued suspension of

the minimum income floor of Universal Credit is inadequate to meet the needs of all those locked out of the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme; and calls on the Government to urgently expand the eligibility criteria of its provision for Self-Employment income support in order to prevent millions of people facing financial hardship.

1189 £20 weekly increase to universal credit

Tabled: **25/11/20** Signatories: **22**

Jon Trickett
Ian Lavery
Claudia Webbe
Alison Thewliss
Jonathan Edwards
Paula Barker

Mohammad Yasin

That this House acknowledges that the £20 a week uplift in Universal Credit has provided much-needed, vital support to millions of people during the covid-19 outbreak; expresses disappointment that there was no commitment to making this increase permanent in Spending Review 2020; notes with concern analysis by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation which found that ending the £20 increase in April 2021 will leave roughly 16 million people in families facing an overnight loss of £1,040 a year; further notes that the £20 uplift has not applied to legacy benefits during this crisis; and calls on the Government to make the £20 uplift in Universal Credit permanent and also applying this increase in payment to all legacy benefits.

1195 Logan Street Tenants and Resident's Association

Tabled: **25/11/20** Signatories: **4**

Margaret Ferrier
Allan Dorans
Peter Grant
Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the Logan Street Tenants and Residents Association in Blantyre on their hard work this year working together with local agencies and South Lanarkshire Council to improve living conditions in and around Logan Street in Blantyre; notes the vital support the Association has provided to local tenants and their children during the time of the covid-19 outbreak; recognises their achievements over this year, such as a reduction in cars accessing Logan Street illegally and working together with the housing services to provide better lighting for the street; highlights the particular work they have done with local children, including providing sweets bags for children for Halloween and graduations and arranging free internet access and tablets; and therefore thanks Logan Street Tenants and Residents Association and all such local resident support groups for the vital role they play in our local communities.

1206 No Recourse to Public Funds

Tabled: 30/11/20 Signatories: 25

John Cryer
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Caroline Lucas
Ms Harriet Harman
Kate Osamor
Ed Davey

Munira Wilson

That this House believes that the Government has a duty to ensure that everyone living in the UK is protected from both the health and financial impacts of Coronavirus; understands that long before the pandemic No Recourse to Public Funds restrictions have pushed migrants and their families into poverty and homelessness; recognises that migrants with NRPF have been forced to choose between continuing to work throughout the pandemic or providing for their families; is deeply concerned that migrants who may lose their jobs as unemployment levels rise are at high risk of hardship and destitution; believes that preventing people from entering destitution should be a priority and is more effective than waiting until local authorities have a duty to intervene; believes NRPF restrictions are nothing more than a cost-shunt on to local authorities who are already struggling under the weight of funding cuts; recognises that although the policy allows for applications on a case-by-case basis to have the condition removed, it is incredibly difficult in practice, does not prevent abject poverty, and may unfairly lengthen the route to settlement by five years; further recognises that the hostile environment in all its forms increases racial discrimination; and calls on the Government to urgently suspend NRPF conditions.

1207 International Volunteers Day

Tabled: 30/11/20 Signatories: 22

Drew Hendry
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Law
John Nicolson
Martyn Day

Marion Fellows

Patricia Gibson

That this House recognises International Volunteers Day on 5 December 2020; welcomes this day as an opportunity to celebrate volunteers, promote volunteerism and recognise volunteer contributions; and further recognises and pays thanks to the many volunteers who have been at the forefront of medical, community and societal responses throughout the covid-19 pandemic and beyond.

1208 Small Business Saturday

Tabled: 30/11/20 Signatories: 24

Drew Hendry
Allan Dorans
Jonathan Edwards
Chris Law
John Nicolson
Martyn Day

Patricia Gibson

Mohammad Yasin

That this House welcomes Small Business Saturday 2020 on the 5 December; notes that this successful, grassroots campaign, which highlights small business success and encourages consumers to shop local and support small businesses in their communities is now in its eighth year in the UK with a record 17.6 million people choosing to shop small on this day in 2019; recognises that this has been a year with unprecedented challenges for small businesses; and encourages everyone to support local businesses this festive season and beyond.

1218 British Game Week 2020

Tabled: 1/12/20 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Sir Mike Penning

That this House notes the conclusion of British Game Week which ran from 23-29 November; further notes the enjoyment displayed by this year's I'm A Celebrity, Get Me Out Of Here when some tried Venison for the first time; and encourages people to continue to enjoy wonderful British Game Meat as part of their balanced diet.

1219 Disability Awareness Week Northern Ireland

Tabled: 1/12/20 Signatories: 9

Jim Shannon
Paul Girvan
Carla Lockhart
Jonathan Edwards
Sir Peter Bottomley
John McNally

Stephen Farry

Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

Claire Hanna

That this House notes Disability Awareness Week NI which runs from Monday 30 November - 4 December 2020; highlights that the Arts Council of Northern Ireland will be revisiting and highlighting some of the amazing arts organisations that work with people with disabilities; congratulates the Public Health Agency NI in cooperation with DCS District Council on their hard work to bring this awareness week online with links to visual art and performances; and thanks all of those involved in sending the message that differences should be celebrated and to promote health and well being in these difficult days.

1220 Effect of covid-19 on disabled people and employment

Tabled: 1/12/20 Signatories: 28

Wera Hobhouse
Caroline Lucas
Wendy Chamberlain
Dr Philippa Whitford
Marion Fellows
Carla Lockhart

Liz Saville Roberts
 Munira Wilson
 Mohammad Yasin

Hywel Williams
 Stephen Farry

Ben Lake
 Dan Carden

That this House celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Disability Discrimination Act, an important step towards equality for people with disabilities; recognises the disproportionate impact of the covid-19 pandemic on disabled people; notes with concern that 71 per cent of disabled people employed in March have been impacted by loss of income, furlough or unemployment; expresses concern that the covid-19 pandemic could exacerbate negative conceptions of disabled people's ability to work; believes that the Government must show leadership to ensure the UK does not lose the progress it has made towards equality for disabled people in the workplace; and calls on the Government to introduce a Jobs Guarantee for newly unemployed disabled people.

1221 Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Week

Tabled: 1/12/20 Signatories: 10

Daisy Cooper [R]
Marion Fellows
Carla Lockhart
Jonathan Edwards
Sir Peter Bottomley
Jim Shannon

Sir Mike Penning

Layla Moran

That this House welcomes Crohn's & Colitis Awareness Week; notes the profound impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on diagnosis, access to specialist advice, investigations and surgery for people with Crohn's and Colitis; appreciates the care provided by healthcare professionals in Inflammatory Bowel Disease services during the pandemic; recognises the role of Crohn's & Colitis UK in providing essential information and support to the 500,000 or the 1 in 133 individuals and their families who are living with the conditions across the UK; welcomes the 2019 IBD Standards; and urges the Government to adequately fund IBD services and prioritise access to endoscopy and surgery for people with Crohn's and Colitis, appropriately alongside other conditions, given the significant implications of delaying critical interventions and procedures on both physical and mental health, relationships and finances.

1223 Independence Day in Finland

Tabled: 1/12/20 Signatories: 19

Allan Dorans
 Alan Brown
 Marion Fellows
 Owen Thompson
 Neil Gray
 Steven Bonnar

Neale Hanvey

That this House recognises and celebrates Independence Day on 6 December 2020 with the people of Finland, a thriving, prosperous and successful country within the European Union, who gained their independence from Russia in 1917; and commends their democratic Government and acknowledges their innovative programmes for homelessness, healthcare and social services, their holistic approach to governance of their 5.5 million people economically, socially and emotionally, which has resulted in Finland being recognised by the World Health Organisation as the World's happiest country for the third year running.

1225 Scientists, researchers and clinicians developing treatment, testing and vaccines for covid-19

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 21

Olivia Blake
 Mick Whitley
 Bell Ribeiro-Addy
 Apsana Begum
 Rachel Hopkins
 Ian Byrne

Claudia Webbe
 Sir Mike Penning
 Andrew Gwynne
 Kim Johnson
 Mohammad Yasin

Steven Bonnar
 Stephen Farry
 Stephen Metcalfe
 Wera Hobhouse

Jim Shannon
 Kirsten Oswald
 Craig Whittaker
 Mr Virendra Sharma

That this House celebrates and commends the international efforts of thousands of scientists, researchers and clinicians from across the globe in developing treatment, testing and vaccines for covid-19.

1226 Steps Community Foodbank

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 5

Steven Bonnar
 Jim Shannon
 Chris Law
 Kenny MacAskill
 Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates the efforts of Steps Community Development Trust in establishing a community foodbank for use during the course of the covid-19 pandemic; praises inclusivity and the cooperative approach adopted by ensuring uniform access to service provision; and commends

the contributions of the Stepps community and thanks the loyal volunteers for their dedication to the cause.

1227 Coatbridge businesses and Lanarkshire Business Excellence Awards

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 5

Steven Bonnar
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Kenny MacAskill
Kirsten Oswald

That this House congratulates My Roof Care and HRM Homecare on their recent successes in the Lanarkshire Business Excellence Awards; commends the work of Darren McGhee of My Roof Care for his innovative business maintenance package; praises the holistic approach undertaken by HRM Homecare in enhancing the quality of life and providing care and support to local residents; and acknowledges the hard work, effort and endeavour of both businesses within the community during these challenging times

1228 Fast fashion and data transparency

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 6

John McNally
Martyn Day
Claudia Webbe
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Mohammad Yasin

That this House recognises the fast fashion industry as a major contributor to carbon emissions, producing 10 per cent of all humanity's greenhouse gas emissions, and is responsible for serious human rights violations around the world; and therefore calls on the Government to introduce a policy where global fashion companies selling products in the UK must be transparent with consumers by releasing data that is accessible to consumers on the company's environmental and ethical impacts in areas such as their carbon footprint, water usage, and the working conditions of their staff across their supply chains.

1229 Australian Government response to online disinformation from China

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 6

Andrew Rosindell
Paul Girvan
Andrew Gwynne [R]
Sir Mike Penning
Wera Hobhouse
Christine Jardine

That this House notes with profound concern the social media post made by a Chinese Communist Party official which includes a digitally-created image depicting an Australian soldier cutting the throat of a child in Afghanistan; deeply regrets China's consistent and targeted spreading of disinformation through fabricated images, videos and disingenuous and mendacious statements; recognises that a concerted and collaborative international approach is required to tackle the disinformation being spread by China; commends the Australian Prime Minister's decision to

demand an apology from China in relation to this latest shocking incident; and commits to standing shoulder to shoulder with our Australian friends and Commonwealth ally to protect our key interests and values, at home and overseas.

1230 World superbike champion Jonathan Rea MBE

Tabled: **2/12/20** Signatories: **4**

Carla Lockhart
Paul Girvan
Jim Shannon
Stephen Farry

That this House congratulates the record breaking World Superbike Champion Jonathan Rea MBE on winning his sixth consecutive World Superbike title; recognises his remarkable achievement as the most successful rider in the history of the championship; expresses shock and dismay at Jonathan Rea MBE being excluded from the BBC Sports Personality of the Year shortlist for 2020; and calls on the BBC to reconsider this unjustified exclusion, to afford the public the opportunity to vote in recognition of his success this year, and his status as the greatest Superbike rider of all time.

1231 Human Rights Day 2020

Tabled: **2/12/20** Signatories: **3**

Margaret Ferrier
Jim Shannon
Stephen Farry

That this House notes that the world celebrates Human Rights Day 2020 on 10 December; further notes that this is a day to commemorate the UN General Assembly adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948; highlights that human rights are abused by repressive regimes across the world, whereby certain governments restrict freedom of speech and expression, continue to hold unfair trials and systematically persecute religious and ethnic minorities and LGBTI+ communities, among other incredibly serious violations; commits to working cross-party to uphold human rights in the UK and globally; and calls on the Government to work constructively with other sovereign states around the world to promote the universality of human rights.

1232 The Nord Stream 2 Pipeline

Tabled: **2/12/20** Signatories: **2**

Daniel Kawczynski
Jim Shannon

That this House recognises the threats the completion of the Nord Stream 2 pipeline would pose to NATO; understands that the security and stability of the United Kingdom's allies on NATO's Eastern flank would be threatened by the project, as it would greatly alter the geopolitics of the region; expresses concern for the fact that the aforementioned states would become more vulnerable to foreign aggression as a result; further notes that it is the United Kingdom's duty to support its NATO partners; supports the action taken by the United States Congress to impose sanctions on the pipeline; and urges Her Majesty's Government to join the United States of America in imposing sanctions on companies involved in this endeavour.

1233 Restaurant of the Year at the Midlothian and East Lothian Food and Drink Awards 2020

Tabled: 2/12/20 Signatories: 4

Owen Thompson
Alison Thewliss
Jim Shannon
Chris Law

That this House congratulates Loanhead-based restaurant The Radhuni on winning Restaurant of the Year at the Midlothian and East Lothian Food and Drink Awards 2020; notes that this award, organised by the Midlothian and East Lothian Chamber of Commerce, seeks to recognise restaurants which offer a high quality dining experience, ambience, service, locally-sourced ingredients and more; recognises that this has been an exceptionally challenging year for restaurants; and thanks the staff and owners of The Radhuni and all restaurants across Midlothian for their ongoing contribution to the cultural and gastronomic life of Midlothian.