

Thursday 20 January 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 9.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Questions to the Secretary of State for International Trade
- 2 Urgent Question: British Council staff in Afghanistan (Amanda Milling)
- 3 Business Question (Leader of the House)
- 4 Backbench Business
 - (1) Judgment of the Uyghur Tribunal

Resolved, That this House notes that the December 2021 Uyghur Tribunal's judgment in London found beyond reasonable doubt that the People's Republic of China was responsible for genocide, crimes against humanity and torture in the Uyghur region; and calls on the Government to urgently

assess whether it considers there to be a serious risk of genocide in the Uyghur region and to present its findings to the House within two months of this motion being passed, use all means reasonably available to ensure the cessation of ongoing genocide, including conducting due diligence to ensure it is not assisting, aiding, abetting or otherwise allowing the continuation of genocide and fulfil its other obligations under the UN Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Genocide, accept the recommendations of the Fifth Report of the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee, Uyghur forced labour in Xinjiang and UK value chains, Session 2019-21, HC 1272, including black-listing UK firms selling slave-made products in the UK and putting in place import controls to protect UK consumers, and place sanctions on the perpetrators of this genocide, including Chen Quanguo.—(Ms Nusrat Ghani.)

(2) Lawfare and the UK court system

Resolved, That this House has considered the matter of lawfare and the UK court system.—(Mr David Davis.)

5 Adjournment

Subject: Detention of people with autism and other lifelong conditions under the Mental Health Act 1983 (Sir Robert Buckland)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— (Amanda Solloway.)

Adjourned at 5.28 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

Changes to Notices Given

6 Barnett Formula (Replacement) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

7 Housing Standards (Refugees and Asylum Seekers) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

8 Asylum Seekers (Permission to Work) (No. 2) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

9 Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (Powers) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

10Under-Occupancy Penalty (Report) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

11Social Security Benefits (Healthy Eating) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

12Benefit Sanctions (Warnings) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

13Universal Credit Sanctions (Zero Hours Contracts) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

14Asylum Seekers (Accommodation Eviction Procedures) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

15Disability Benefit Assessments (Recording) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

16Full Employment Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

17Health and Safety at Work Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

18Corporate Homicide Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

19Workers (Rights and Definition) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 28 January.

20Kinship Care (Parental Leave) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 25 February.

21Automated External Defibrillators (Public Access) Bill

Order for Second Reading on Friday 21 January, read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 4 February.

Reports from Select Committees

22Backbench Business Committee

Determination of business to be taken on Thursday 27 January in the Chamber and Thursday 27 January and Tuesday 1 February in Westminster Hall (Ian Mearns).

23Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

The Draft Online Safety Bill and the legal but harmful debate: Eighth Report, to be printed, with the formal minutes relating to the Report (HC 1039) (Julian Knight).

24Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) Cancer services: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 551);
- (2) *NHS litigation reform*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 740)

(Jeremy Hunt).

25Liaison Committee

Correspondence with the Prime Minister relating to his appearance before the Committee on 17 November 2021: Written evidence, to be published (HC 835) (Sir Bernard Jenkin).

26Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- (1) The work of the Cabinet Office: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 41);
- (2) Coronavirus Act 2020 two years on: Written evidence, to be published (HC 978) (Mr William Wragg).

Lindsay Hoyle

Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 1.30 pm.

Liaison Committee business (Standing Order No. 10(7))

(1) The work of the Biometrics Commissioner and the Forensic Science Regulator

Resolved, That this House has considered the Nineteenth Report of the Science and Technology Committee, Session 2017–19, The work of the Biometrics Commissioner and the Forensic Science Regulator, HC 1970, and the Government Response, Session 2019–21, HC 1319.—(Greg Clark.)

The sitting was suspended between 2.47 pm and 3.00 pm.

Business determined by the Backbench Business Committee (Standing Orders No. 10(7) and No. 14(4))

(2) UK and Israel trade negotiations

Resolved, That this House has considered UK and Israel trade negotiations.—(Bob Blackman.)

Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 4.27 pm until Monday 24 January.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Environmental Protection

Draft Genetically Modified Organisms (Deliberate Release) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

Other papers

2 Fisheries

Report and Accounts of the Sea Fish Industry Authority for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 778) (Secretary George Eustice)

3 Government Resources and Accounts

Report and Accounts of the Ministry of Defence for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 629) (Lucy Frazer)

4 Health and Social Care

Report and Accounts of the Care Quality Commission for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 1009) (Maria Caulfield)

5 National Audit

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Houses of Parliament: Restoration and Renewal of the Palace of Westminster: Progress update (by Act), to be printed (HC 1016) (Clerk of the House)

6 Northern Ireland

Fourth Report on the Use of the Petition of Concern Mechanism in the Northern Ireland Assembly (by Act) (CP 599) (Secretary Brandon Lewis)

7 Treasury

Treasury Minutes on the Government responses to the Twenty-Second to the Twenty-Sixth Reports of the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 2021–22 (by Command) (CP 603) (Helen Whately)

8 Trunk Road Charging Schemes

Accounts of the Dartford–Thurrock River Crossing Charging Scheme for 2020–21, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (by Act), to be printed (HC 999) (Secretary Grant Shapps)

CORRECTION

Wednesday 19 January 2022

The following item should have appeared before item 1 (Papers laid):

Ecclesiastical Law

Draft Grants to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Nigel Huddleston)