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# Early Day Motions tabled on Monday 16 January 2023

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## **New EDMs**

## 754 Re-imprisonment of Fariba Kamalbadi and Mahvash Sabet in Iran

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

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#### **Bob Blackman**

That this House notes with concern the re-imprisonment in December 2022 of Fariba Kamalbadi and Mahvash Sabet, two Baha'is in Iran; further notes that both of these women served 10 years in harsh conditions from 2008 to 2018 and were the subject of widespread international outcry; acknowledges that these two women are widely regarded as prisoners of conscience; observes with concern that both women are over 60 years of age and poor health; and urges the Government to use all bilateral and multilateral means of influence to call on the Iranian Government to release Fariba and Mahvash immediately.

# 755 Lewis Capaldi

#### **Martyn Day**

That this House celebrates the success of West Lothian singer songwriter Lewis Capaldi, whose single Someone You Loved has been named the UK's most streamed song; notes that his breakthrough hit has accumulated 562 million UK streams, beating Ed Sheeran's Shape of You and Perfect, respectively; and further notes that the song reached number one in March 2019 and stayed there for a total of seven weeks.

Signatories: 1

## 756 Creativity of Glasgow North East school pupils

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

#### Anne McLaughlin

That this House thanks the schools in Glasgow North East including Barmulloch Primary School, Elmvale Primary School, Haghill Park Primary School, Miltonbank Primary School, St Denis' Primary School and St Roch's Primary School for taking part in a Christmas card competition and allowing their creative artwork to be shared on behalf of the constituency; recognises the talent of the pupils and applauds their hard work and the work of their teachers and other school staff; and thanks the winner Eniola from Elmvale Primary School for allowing her design to be shared at Christmas.

## 757 Open Doors World Watch List 2023

## Mr Gregory Campbell

That this House notes the ongoing need for the work of organisations such as the Open Doors Movement which seek to help and highlight areas across the globe where Christians continue to be persecuted; draws attention to the parliamentary launch on 18 January 2023 of the annual list of those countries where Christians face the most extreme persecution; and calls on the Government to offer support to all those working to end such persecution across the world.

# 758 The death of Mursal Nabizada, former Member of the Afghan parliament

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

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#### Wendy Chamberlain

That this House is deeply saddened by the killing of former Afghan MP Mursal Nabizada and her bodyguard; strongly condemns the actions of their killers; calls for a full and open investigation into the incident; notes with concern the removal of women in Afghanistan from public life; and urges the Government to create an asylum route for Afghan women at risk of harm as called for by the members of the all-party Parliamentary group for Afghan Women and Girls.

# 759 Night Before Christmas Campaign

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

#### **Allan Dorans**

That this House recognises and congratulates the inspirational Jodie McFarlane and her family and the outstanding commitment shown by the team of over 100 fantastic volunteers of the Night Before Christmas Campaign (NB4CC) who since 2015 have worked tirelessly and continuously every year to relieve the effects of poverty by ensuring that as many children throughout south west Scotland, who may not have received a gift or present at Christmas did so; thanks all of those volunteers involved in organising, collection, receipt, sorting, packing and delivery of donations; notes that in the first year of operation they delivered around 100 shoe boxes containing gifts; further notes that since that time they have continuously developed their network to encourage referrals from social work, churches, schools, voluntary and other groups; and notes the wonderful generosity of thousands of individual donors and over 150 donating organisations including businesses, churches, local sports teams and others who have provided cash donations, gifts and presents including new pyjamas, books, toiletries, toys, board games, selection boxes, teddy bears,

other soft toys, and computer games, valued at over £340,000, enabling an outstanding record 6,840 red bags of joy to be delivered to families and children at Christmas in 2022.

# 760 Killing of Palestinian journalists

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 18

Grahame Morris John McDonnell Liz Saville Roberts Chris Stephens Caroline Lucas Jeremy Corbyn

Kim JohnsonAndy McDonaldIan MearnsIan LaveryMick WhitleyKate OsborneClaudia WebbeBell Ribeiro-AddyRichard BurgonMs Diane AbbottZarah SultanaBeth Winter

That this House welcomes submissions to the International Criminal Court (ICC) by the International Federation of Journalists (IFJ), Palestinian Journalists' Syndicate and the International Centre of Justice for Palestinians (ICJP) following the killing of Palestinian journalists by Israeli forces; recognises the need for such intervention following the commission of deplorable attacks against journalists in Palestine over several years, resulting in the killing of 48 journalists, including Shireen Abu Akleh, since 2000; joins the National Union of Journalists in condemnation of ongoing impunity for crimes committed against journalists enjoyed by members of the Israeli forces; urges immediate action by the ICC prosecutor to investigate and prosecute those responsible for attacks against and killing of journalists in Palestine; regrets that delays to action amount to a denial of justice to victims; and demands respect for the rights of journalists to undertake their work without fearing for their safety due to the actions of Israel Defense Forces.

## 761 Anniversary of murder of Judge William Doyle

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

#### Jim Shannon

That this House notes the 40th Anniversary of the IRA murder of the most senior Catholic judge, William Doyle, during the troubles; further notes the brutality of his death, he was shot dead as he sat in his car after attending mass at St Brigid's Church in Derryvolgie Avenue in South Belfast on 16 January 1983; highlights that a 72 year old woman who William offered to drive home was also seriously injured when the two gunmen opened fire on the pair; underlines William's dedication to his profession and that he was a father of two, who was well known for defending prominent figures; expresses sympathy to the family of this gentleman who committed his life to practicing his Christian faith and being a good neighbour; and further highlights that nobody has ever been convicted of this killing and that his family deserve justice.

## 762 Belfast £47.5 million Cancer Research Boost

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

#### Jim Shannon

That this House notes with pride that Belfast is among the centres set for a cancer research boost as scientists receive £47.5 million over the next five years to help develop new treatments; further notes that as a part of a partnership between Cancer Research UK, the NIHR and The Little Princess,

17 adult Experimental Cancer Medicine Centres (ECMCs) will host clinical trials for these treatments; highlights how this will increase funding for the paediatric network and can help employ new research staff, including nurses and data managers, who are critical for delivering these trials to patients; further highlights the potential this research has to saves lives, especially children and young people and that there is a sense of renewed hope and positivity; and sends thanks to Cancer Research UK, NIHR and The Little Princess Trust for this partnership which has enabled Belfast to be a crucial part of research into life saving treatment.

#### 763 **Dartmoor National Park**

Tabled: 16/01/23 Signatories: 1

#### **Richard Foord**

That this House celebrates 75 years of the Ten Tors challenge on Dartmoor; values the important contribution outdoor activities have on people's mental and physical health; fully supports the Countryside Code and the principles that preserve our green spaces; believes that everyone has a right to access and enjoy our national parks; expresses regret that a recent High Court judgment will impact the free use of land on Dartmoor National Park for wild camping; and calls on the Government to bring forward new legislation to safeguard the rights of individuals to continue using National Park land for camping without hindrance.

# **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.

## 742 Attacks on the Brazilian Congress

Tabled: 9/01/23 Signatories: 31

Richard Burgon Ms Diane Abbott Jeremy Corbyn Apsana Begum Ian Lavery Bell Ribeiro-Addy

**Tommy Sheppard** 

This House condemns the attacks on the Brazilian Congress, Supreme Court, and Presidential Palace on Sunday 8 January 2023 by supporters of former Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro who refused to accept his recent election defeat; notes that this happened a week after the inauguration of President Lula da Silva and is the latest far-right attempt to disrupt Brazilian democracy through violence and intimidation; is deeply alarmed by the disturbing rise of political violence against supporters of President Lula including killings, violence against Lula's Workers' Party officials and attacks on pro-Lula marches that took place during the recent election campaign; believes President Lula's democratically-elected administration must be allowed to govern without fear of violence or continued threats; extends our solidarity with President Lula, the governing Brazilian Workers' Party, and all Brazilian democrats against attempts by the far-right to overturn the democratic process in Brazil; and calls on the international community to offer its full support for the upholding of the democratic will of the Brazilian people and to do all it can to ensure those responsible for the 8 January 2023 events are held to account.

## 748 Holocaust Memorial Day 2023

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 12

Bob Blackman Liz Saville Roberts Hywel Williams Ben Lake Stewart Hosie Patrick Grady

Catherine McKinnell

Jim Shannon

That this House notes that, on 27 January 2023, the UK will observe Holocaust Memorial Day, marking the 78th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, where more than 1.1 million people died, including nearly one million Jewish men, women and children; commemorates the six million victims of the Holocaust and the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution; further notes that the House pays tribute to the commitment of Holocaust survivors and Kindertransport refugees who share their experiences with young people across the country; acknowledges the importance of the Holocaust Educational Trust's work in schools across the UK and in particular the Lessons from Auschwitz Project, which has so far given tens of thousands of students and teachers the opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau; welcomes the establishment of a permanent National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre adjacent to Parliament; pays tribute to the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust for organising the national Holocaust Memorial Day event; and urges all Right hon. and hon. Members to observe this day so that the appalling events of the Holocaust are always understood by future generations.

# 749 Pollokshields Burgh Hall Trust 25th anniversary

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 4

Stewart Malcolm McDonald Allan Dorans Patrick Grady Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Pollokshields Burgh Hall Trust on its 25th anniversary; notes the achievements of the Trust in the past 25 years in reopening and maintaining the Halls as a community asset; thanks all the staff and volunteers who have always been on hand to help and to ensure that all users get the most out of the Hall; recognises the Hall's unique location with its own gardens and grounds situated adjacent to Maxwell Park making it an extremely special venue for any event; and offers the Trust and Pollokshields Burgh Hall its best wishes for continued success in the future.

750 Loraine Swan BEM

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 3

Angela Crawley Allan Dorans Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates Loraine Swan on being awarded the BEM for services to the community in Lanark; acknowledges the lifetime of service Loraine has given to her home town; recognises her hard work as a member and chair of the Lanark Lanimer committee which put on a number of successful events during her tenure; applauds Loraine for her continued dedication to the community in her roles as a Sunday school teacher at Cairns/Greyfriars Church, as group co-

ordinator at Lanark U3A, as programme secretary at Inner Wheel of Lanark and as a member of Kilninie Club; and thanks Loraine for everything she has done for the community of Lanark.

# 751 Social Security

Tabled: 11/01/23 Signatories: 47

Stephen Flynn
David Linden
Mhairi Black
Stewart Hosie
Deidre Brock
Martin Docherty-Hughes

Hannah Bardell Ian Blackford Kirsty Blackman Alan Brown Steven Bonnar Amy Callaghan Dr Lisa Cameron Douglas Chapman Joanna Cherry Ronnie Cowan Angela Crawley Martyn Day **Marion Fellows** Dave Doogan Patricia Gibson Peter Grant **Drew Hendry** Chris Law

Angus Brendan MacNeil Stewart Malcolm McDonald Stuart C McDonald Anne McLaughlin John McNally Carol Monaghan **Gavin Newlands** John Nicolson Brendan O'Hara Kirsten Oswald Ms Anum Qaisar **Tommy Sheppard** Alvn Smith Chris Stephens **Alison Thewliss** Richard Thomson Owen Thompson Dr Philippa Whitford

Pete Wishart

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Universal Credit (Administrative Earnings Threshold) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I., 2023, No. 7), dated 6 January 2023, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9 January 2023, be annulled.

# 752 Disability and cost of living

Tabled: 12/01/23 Signatories: 6
Christine Jardine
Jonathan Edwards
Ben Lake

Wendy Chamberlain Richard Foord Jim Shannon

That this House recognises that there is often a significant income gap between disabled and non-disabled people; further recognises that disabled people are being hit hard by the current cost of living crisis and are much more likely to struggle to heat their homes and cut back on food over the winter; notes that the Resolution Foundation has found that people with disabilities have an available amount to spend that is around 44 per cent lower than that of other working-age adults; further notes that people with a disability are far more likely to be poorer than the rest of the population, with up to a third of adults in the lowest-income households having a disability; notes that almost half of disabled adults said they had to cut back on energy use this winter, compared with almost one-third of people without a disability; and calls on the Government to provide further support for disabled people including financial assistance to help with the cost of living crisis.

# 753 Orkney Tractor Run 2022

Tabled: 12/01/23 Signatories: 4

Mr Alistair Carmichael Jonathan Edwards Wendy Chamberlain Jim Shannon

That this House congratulates the organisers of the Orkney Tractor Run held in Kirkwall on 29 December 2022; notes that a total of 179 tractors from family farms across the county were included in the event, which attracted wide attendance from the community; understands that over £28,000 was raised for charity through generous donations, with proceeds to be shared between mental health charity Orkney Blide Trust and the Orkney Heart Support Group; believes that tractor runs play an important role in bringing agricultural communities together and supporting local charities; and wishes the Orkney Agricultural Society and all participants well in anticipation of next winter's event.