

Cross Party Group on Balanced Migration response to Prime Minister's speech

The Rt Hon Frank Field MP and The Hon Nicholas Soames MP said:

“This is a major speech that marks the key change in the debate on immigration in the direction that the Cross Party Group campaigns for. It accepts that a whole range of policies is needed if we are to meet the crucial target of bringing immigration down to the low tens of thousands. The Cross Party Group knows that this necessary goal cannot be achieved without splitting the right to come here to work from automatically gaining citizenship. Today the Prime Minister has put this policy into place: it is a move the whole country will support.”