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Significant success in campaign for Balanced Migration

Commenting on the Home Secretary's announcement that the Government intends to break the link between allowing people to come to work here and settlement, the Co-Chairmen of the Cross Party Group on Balanced Migration Frank Field MP and Nicholas Soames MP said:

"Today marks a major change in immigration policy with the Government announcing its intention to break the link between coming here to work and automatically gaining citizenship. When implemented, the new policy will help to prevent the population being grown largely by immigration."

Since September 2008 the Cross Party Group on Balanced Migration have been campaigning for the link between coming here to work and automatically gaining citizenship to be broken. Please see http://balancedmigration.com/pdfs/ourcase_6.pdf.

Notes to editors

- 1. For media enquiries, please contact Patrick White on 020 7219 6636
- 2. The Rt Hon Frank Field MP and The Hon Nicholas Soames MP are Co-Chairmen of the Cross Party Group on Balanced Migration. The Group's Vice-Chairmen are Lord (Bill) Jordan CBE (former President of the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union) and Daniel Kawczynski MP (Conservative, Shrewsbury & Atcham). Other members include Tobias Ellwood MP, Roger Godsiff MP, Peter Kilfoyle MP, David Taylor MP, Lord Ahmed, Lord Anderson, Lord Carey (former Archbishop of Canterbury) Baroness Cox, Field Marshal Lord Inge KG, GCB, PC, DL, Lord Skidelsky and Lord Wakeham.
- 3. For more information please visit www.balancedmigration.com.