



House of Commons
Home Affairs Committee

Formal Minutes

2008–09

The Home Affairs Committee

The Home Affairs Committee is appointed by the House of Commons to examine the expenditure, administration, and policy of the Home Office and its associated public bodies.

Current membership

Rt Hon Keith Vaz MP (*Labour, Leicester East*) (Chairman)
Tom Brake MP (*Liberal Democrat, Carshalton and Wallington*)
Ms Karen Buck MP (*Labour, Regent's Park and Kensington North*)
Mr James Clappison MP (*Conservative, Hertsmere*)
Mrs Ann Cryer MP (*Labour, Keighley*)
David TC Davies MP (*Conservative, Monmouth*)
Mrs Janet Dean MP (*Labour, Burton*)
Patrick Mercer MP (*Conservative, Newark*)
Margaret Moran MP (*Labour, Luton South*)
Gwyn Prosser MP (*Labour, Dover*)
Bob Russell MP (*Liberal Democrat, Colchester*)
Martin Salter MP (*Labour, Reading West*)
Mr Gary Streeter MP (*Conservative, South West Devon*)
Mr David Winnick MP (*Labour, Walsall North*)

Powers

The Committee is one of the departmental select committees, the powers of which are set out in House of Commons Standing Orders, principally in SO No 152. These are available on the Internet via www.parliament.uk

Publication

The Reports and evidence of the Committee are published by The Stationery Office by Order of the House. All publications of the Committee (including press notices) are on the Internet at www.parliament.uk/homeaffairscom. A list of Reports of the Committee since Session 2005–06 is at the back of this volume.

Committee staff

The current staff of the Committee are Elizabeth Flood (Clerk), Eliot Barrass (Second Clerk), Elisabeth Bates (Committee Specialist), Sarah Harrison (Committee Specialist), Darren Hackett (Senior Committee Assistant), Ameet Chudasama (Committee Assistant), Sheryl Dinsdale (Committee Assistant) and Jessica Bridges-Palmer (Select Committee Media Officer).

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Tuesday 9 December 2008

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **Petition**

The Committee considered the petition to the House from Members of the Cheshire Federation of the Women's Institute concerning violence against women.

2. **The policing of leak inquiries**

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the policing of leak inquiries.

3. **Human Trafficking**

Commander Allan Gibson, and Detective Chief Superintendent Nigel Mawer, Human Trafficking Unit, and Detective Inspector Gordon Valentine, Paladin Team, Metropolitan Police, gave oral evidence.

Councillor Shireen Ritchie, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, and Steve Liddicott, Director of Planning, Performance and Commissioning, Department for Children, Young People and Learners, Croydon Council, gave oral evidence.

Alan Campbell MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Crime Reduction, Home Office, and Rt Hon Harriet Harman QC MP, Lord Privy Seal, Leader of the House of Commons and Minister for Women and Equalities, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 16 December at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 16 December 2008

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies

Mrs Janet Dean
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Monitoring of the UK Border Agency

Draft Report (Monitoring of the UK Border Agency), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Chairman's draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 23 read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the First Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134.

2. Police and the Media

Draft Report (Police and the Media), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Chairman's draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 37 read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Second Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134.

Written evidence was ordered to be reported to the House for printing with the Report.

3. The Work of the Committee 2007-08

Draft Report (Work of the Committee in 2007–08), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Chairman's draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 59 read and agreed to.

Annex agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Third Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

4. Police Authorities

Councillor Sir Jeremy Beecham DL, Local Government Association, and Councillor Mark Burns-Williamson, Association of Police Authorities, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 13 January at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 13 January 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Knife Crime

The Committee considered this matter.

2. The Committee's future programme

The Committee considered this matter.

3. The use of Tasers by the police

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the use of Tasers by the police.

4. Knife Crime

Deputy Assistant Commissioner Alf Hitchcock QPM, Metropolitan Police, gave oral evidence.

Assistant Chief Constable Paul Crowther, British Transport Police, gave oral evidence.

Frances Done CBE, Chair, and Bob Ashford, Acting Director of Strategy, Youth Justice Board, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 20 January at 10.15 am

Tuesday 20 January 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. Managing Migration: Points-Based System

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Bill [*Lords*]

The Committee considered this matter.

3. Knife Crime

Detective Chief Superintendent John Carnochan QPM, Head, Violence Reduction Unit (Scotland) and Strathclyde Police, gave oral evidence.

Mrs Ann Oakes-Odger, Founder of www.knifecrimes.org, and Mr Ian Levy, Co-Founder of the Robert Levy Foundation, gave oral evidence.

4. Policing Procedures of Home Office Leak Inquiries and Other Matters

Rt Hon Jacqui Smith MP, Secretary of State for the Home Department, and Sir David Normington KCB, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 27 January at 10.15 am]

Tuesday 27 January 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Overseas Travel

Resolved, That the Committee visit Prague in March 2009 in connection with its inquiries into human trafficking and drugs, and that the Chairman seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

3. Knife Crime

Dr Stella Creasy, Head of Public Affairs and Campaigns, The Scout Association, and Nancy Ibrahim and James Reid, Scout leaders, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 3 February at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 3 February 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake	Patrick Mercer
Ms Karen Buck	Gwyn Prosser
Mr James Clappison	Bob Russell
Mrs Ann Cryer	Martin Salter
David T.C. Davies	Mr David Winnick
Mrs Janet Dean	

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Managing Migration: Points-Based System

John Cridland CBE, Deputy Director-General, Confederation of British Industry, gave oral evidence.

Alastair Henderson, Joint Director, NHS Employers, and Mandy Thorn, Vice-Chairman, National Care Association, gave oral evidence.

Paul Temple, Vice-President, National Farmers' Union, and James Davies, General Manager, HOPS Labour Solutions, gave oral evidence.

3. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

Boris Johnson, Mayor of London, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 February at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 10 February 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake	Margaret Moran
Ms Karen Buck	Gwyn Prosser
Mr James Clappison	Bob Russell
Mrs Ann Cryer	Martin Salter
David T.C. Davies	Mr Gary Streeter
Mrs Janet Dean	Mr David Winnick
Patrick Mercer	

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Managing Migration: Points-Based System

Linda Allen, Deputy Immigration Services Commissioner, and Stephen Seymour, Director of Operations, Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner, gave oral evidence.

Des Hudson, Chief Executive, The Law Society, and Sarah Lee, Partner, Slaughter and May, gave oral evidence.

3. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

Assistant Commissioner Robert Quick QPM, Assistant Commissioner Specialist Operations, Metropolitan Police Service, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 February at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 24 February 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries**

The Committee considered this matter.

2. **Knife Crime**

Resolved, That the Committee now take evidence in private.

Representatives of The Prince's Trust gave oral evidence.

Ordered, That the public be now admitted.

Frances Crook, Director, Howard League for Penal Reform, gave oral evidence.

Shaun Bailey, Chief Operating Officer, MyGeneration, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 3 March at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 3 March 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Managing Migration: Points-Based System

The Chairman declared an interest as the spouse of an immigration solicitor and part-time judge.

Professor Paul Wellings, Universities UK and Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University, and Simeon Underwood, Registrar, London School of Economics and Political Science, gave oral evidence.

Louise de Winter, Director, National Campaign for the Arts, Malcolm Clay, Secretary, Association of Circus Proprietors, and Ruth Jarratt, Director of Policy Development, Royal Opera House, gave oral evidence.

3. The Visa Entry Clearance System

Meg Hillier MP, Under-Secretary of State for Identity, Home Office, and Glyn Williams, Visa Services Directorate, UKBA International Group, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 March at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 10 March 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

In the temporary absence of the Chairman, Ms Karen Buck was called to the Chair for part of the meeting.

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leak Inquiries

The Committee considered this matter.

2. Knife Crime

Resolved, That the Committee now take evidence in private.

Representatives of 11 Million gave oral evidence.

Ordered, That the public be now admitted.

Kirk Dawes, West Midlands Mediation and Transformation Services, and Richard Taylor, Founder, and Gary Trowsdale, Special Projects Director, Damilola Taylor Trust, gave oral evidence.

Phil Hearne, former Principal of Paddington and London Academies, gave oral evidence.

Frances Lawrence, widow of Philip Lawrence, and Valerie Okoampah and Kane Pierce, Value Life, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 17 March at 10.10 am.]

Tuesday 17 March 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Margaret Moran

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Petition

The Committee considered the petition to the House from persons concerned at the treatment of nationally registered interpreters.

2. Managing Migration: Points-Based System

The Chairman declared an interest as a non-practising barrister and the spouse of an immigration solicitor and part-time judge.

Mr David Winnick declared an interest as a former Chairman of the United Kingdom Immigrants Advisory Service.

Professor David Metcalf CBE, Chairman, Migration Advisory Committee, gave oral evidence.

Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State for Borders and Immigration, Matthew Coats, Director of immigration Group, and Neil Hughes, Director of Points-Based System Programme, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 March at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 24 March 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Monitoring of the UK Border Agency: Government response

Draft Special Report (*Monitoring of the UK Border Agency: Government response to the Committee's First Report of Session 2008-09*), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Special Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraph 1 read and agreed to.

A Paper was appended to the Report as Appendix 1.

Resolved, That the Special Report be the First Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Special Report to the House.

2. Petition

The Committee considered the petition to the House from the Malayee community of Southend-on-Sea and the Observations from the Home Secretary.

3. Knife Crime

Professor Kevin Browne, Professor of Forensic Psychology and Child Health, University of Nottingham, gave oral evidence.

Chris Grayling MP, Shadow Home Secretary, gave oral evidence.

Chris Huhne MP, Liberal Democrat Spokesman on Home Affairs, gave oral evidence.

Alan Campbell MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department, and Rt Hon David Hanson MP, Minister of State for Justice, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 25 March at 2.30 pm.]

Wednesday 25 March 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Margaret Moran

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Violent Crime and Drugs

Reverend Jesse Jackson gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 31 March at 10.15 am.]

Tuesday 21 April 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing of G20 Protests Inquiry

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the policing of G20 protests.

2. Pre-Appointment Hearing

Mr Dennis O’Conner, CBE, QPM, preferred candidate for HM Inspector of Constabulary gave oral evidence.

3. Policing of G20 Protests Inquiry

Mr Nick Hardwick, Chair, Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) gave oral evidence.

4. Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Bill

Draft Report (Borders, Citizenship and Immigration Bill) proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 82 read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Fifth Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 28 April at 10:15 am.]

Tuesday 28 April 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. Home Office Departmental Minute

The Committee considered a Home Office Departmental Minute relating to the Home Office indemnity for Neighbourhood Watch Groups in England and Wales.

2. Gurkhas

Resolved, That the Committee take further evidence on the subject of Gurkhas from Home Office and Ministry of Defence Ministers and Miss Joanna Lumley.

3. Macpherson Report – Ten Years On

Alfred John, Chairman, Metropolitan Black Police Association, gave oral evidence.

Trevor Phillips, Chairman, Equality and Human Rights Commission, gave oral evidence.

Mrs Doreen Lawrence, Stephen Lawrence Charitable Trust, gave oral evidence.

Deputy Assistant Commissioner Rod Jarman, Metropolitan Police and Chief Constable Stephen Otter, ACPO lead on Race and Diversity and Chief Constable, Devon and Cornwall Police gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 5 May at 11.00am.]

Tuesday 5 May 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Margaret Moran
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing of G20 Protests

Mr Jeremy Dear, General Secretary, National Union of Journalists, gave oral evidence.

2. Tasers

Mr Oliver Sprague, Programme Director, Military Security and Police for Amnesty International, gave oral evidence.

Assistant Chief Constable Simon Chesterman, ACPO Lead on Armed Policing, gave oral evidence.

3. Gurkhas

The Chairman declared an interest as the spouse of a part-time judge.

Mr Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State for Borders and Immigration, Ms Lin Homer, Chief Executive, UK Border Agency, Mr Kevan Jones MP, Under-Secretary of State for Defence and Minister for Veterans and John Pitt-Brooke, Director, General Secretariat, Land Command gave oral evidence.

Ms Joanna Lumley and Madan Gurung, Gurkha Justice Campaign gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 6 May at 4.30pm.]

Wednesday 6 May 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer
Margaret Moran

Gwyn Prosser
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **Human Trafficking**

Draft Report (The Trade in Human Beings: Human Trafficking in the UK), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 2 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 3, read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 4 to 52 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 53 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 54 to 59 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 59 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 60 to 92 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 93 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 94 to 106 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 107 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 108, read amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 109 to 112 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 113 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 114 to 139 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 140 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 141 to 151 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 152 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 153 read, amended and agreed to

Paragraphs 154 to 186 read and agreed to.

A Paragraph —(*The Chairman*)— brought up, read the first and second time, and added (now paragraph 187).

A Paragraph—(*The Chairman*)— brought up, read the first and second time, and added (now paragraph 188).

Resolved, That the Report be the Sixth Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 12 May at 10.30am

Tuesday 12 May 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Ghurkas

Resolved, That the Committee host a discussion on the Ghurkas in private on Wednesday 20 May.

2. Policing of G20 Protests

Tom Brake declared a non-pecuniary interest as an observer the G20 Protests and a contributor to a Report into the policing of the G20 Protests compiled by Mr David Howarth MP.

The Chairman declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Member of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Tamils.

David Howarth MP, Chris Abbot (G20 Protester) and Frances Wright (Member of the "Climate Camp" legal team) gave oral evidence.

Nicola Fisher (G20 Protester) gave oral evidence.

Sue Sim, ACPO Lead on Public Order, gave oral evidence.

Sir Hugh Orde, Chief Constable PSNI and ACC Duncan McCausland gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 19 May at 10:15 am

Tuesday 19 May 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing of G20 Protests

The Chairman declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Member of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Tamils.

Tom Brake declared a non-pecuniary interest as an observer of the G20 Protests.

David T. C. Davies declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Special Constable in the British Transport Police

Sir Paul Stephenson, Commissioner, Metropolitan Police Service gave oral evidence.

Commander Bob Broadhurst, Gold Commander of Operation Glencoe (Policing and Security of the G20), Metropolitan Police Service, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 19 May at 12.30 pm.]

Wednesday 20 May 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Janet Dean

Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. **Knife Crime**

Draft Report (Knife Crime), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 61 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 62, read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 63 to 66 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 67 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 68 to 96 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 97 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 98 to 107 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 108 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 109 to 133 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 134 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 135 to 151 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 152 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 153 to 160 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 161 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 162 to 198 read and agreed to.

A paragraph — (*Ms Karen Buck*)— brought up, read the first and second time and inserted. (now paragraph 199).

Paragraph 199 (now Paragraph 200) read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 200 (now 201) to 206 (now Paragraph 207) read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report be the Seventh Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 2 June at 10.30am.]

Tuesday 2 June 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. "Bogus" Colleges

The Chairman declared an interest as the spouse of an immigration solicitor and a part-time judge.

Tony Millns, Chief Executive English UK and Nick Lewis, Association of Colleges gave oral evidence.

Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State for Borders and Immigration and Jeremy Oppenheim, National Lead for Economic and Family Migration, Home Office gave oral evidence.

Resolved, That the Committee take oral evidence from Sion Simon, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Further Education.

2. Policing of G20 Protests

Resolved, That the Committee visit the Firearms and Public Order Training Facility in Gravesend, Kent in connection with its inquiry into the G20 Protests.

3. The Cocaine Trade

Resolved, That the Committee visit Lisbon and Madrid in September 2009 in connection with its inquiry into the Cocaine trade, and that the Chairman seek the approval of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 9 June at 10.15am.]

Monday 8 June

The Chairman, Mrs Janet Dean, Patrick Mercer, Gwyn Prosser and the Second Clerk visited the Firearms and Public Order Training Facility in Gravesend, Kent, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 2 June.

Tuesday 9 June 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck	Patrick Mercer
Mr James Clappison	Gwyn Prosser
Mrs Ann Cryer	Bob Russell
David T.C. Davies	Mr Gary Streeter
Mrs Janet Dean	Mr David Winnick

1. Cost of policing football matches

ACC Simon Thomas, ACPO Lead on Football Policing, and Derek Smith, ACPO Finance Lead gave oral evidence.

Bill Bush, Director of Public Policy and Communications, Premier League and Andy Williamson, Chief Operating Officer, Football League gave oral evidence.

Dave Whelan, Chairman and Brenda Spencer, Chief Executive, Wigan Athletic Football Club and Graham Turner, Chairman, Hereford United Football Club gave oral evidence.

2. "Bogus" Colleges

Kevin Brennan MP, Minister for Further Education, Skills, Apprenticeships and Consumer Affairs, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 23 June at 10.15am]

Tuesday 16 June 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **The cost of policing football matches**

Mr James Clappison declared an interest as Vice-Chairman of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Rugby League.

ACC Simon Thomas, ACPO Lead on Football Policing, and Derek Smith, ACPO Finance Lead gave oral evidence.

Bill Bush, Director of Public Policy and Communications, Premier League and Andy Williamson, Chief Operating Officer, Football League gave oral evidence.

Dave Whelan, Chairman and Brenda Spencer, Chief Executive, Wigan Athletic Football Club and Graham Turner, Chairman, Hereford United Football Club gave oral evidence.

2. **“Bogus” Colleges**

Kevin Brennan MP, Minister for Further Education, Skills, Apprenticeships and Consumer Affairs, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 23 June at 10.30am.]

Tuesday 23 June 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **The work of the Serious Organised Crime Agency (SOCA)**

Sir Stephen Lander, Chairman and Bill Hughes, Director General, Serious Organised Crime Agency gave oral evidence.

2. **The cocaine trade**

Sebastian Saville, Chief Executive, Release, gave oral evidence.

Matthew Atha, Director and Principal Consultant, Independent Drug Monitoring Unit gave oral evidence.

3. **Policing of G20 Protests**

The committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

4. **The eBorders Programme**

Resolved, That the Committee inquire into the eBorders Programme

[Adjourned till Tuesday 30 June at 10.30am.]

Tuesday 30 June 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. **The eBorders Programme**

Gwyn Prosser declared a non-pecuniary interest as the Chairman of the Ports and Maritime All-Party Parliamentary Group.

Tim Reardon, Passenger Issues Manager, Chamber of Shipping, gave oral evidence.

John Powell, Border Agencies Liaison Manger, Port of Dover, gave oral evidence.

Eddie Redfern, Head of Regulatory Affairs, TUI Travel Plc., gave oral evidence.

Marc Noaro, Customer Service Director, Eurostar, gave oral evidence.

2. **Project CONTEST**

The committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 7 July at 10.30am.]

Tuesday 7 July 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. The Forensic Science Service

In the temporary absence of the Chairman, David T. C. Davies was called to the Chair for part of the meeting

Bill Griffiths, Executive Chairman, Forensic Science Service gave oral evidence.

Peter Middleman, Public and Commercial Services Union and Mike Sparham, Prospect, gave oral evidence.

2. Missing Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children

Martin Houghton-Brown, ECPAT, gave oral evidence.

Julian Wooster, Deputy Director of Children's Services, Hillingdon Borough Council, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 8 July at 2.15pm]

Wednesday 8 July 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. The Work of the UK Border Agency

Lin Homer, Chief Executive, UK Border Agency, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 14 July at 10:30am.]

Tuesday 14 July 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Europol

Rob Wainwright, Director, Europol, gave oral evidence.

2. The Work of the UK Border Agency

John Vine, Chief Inspector, UK Border Agency, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 14 July at 3.00pm.]

Tuesday 14 July 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. The Forensic Science Service

The Committee discussed informally this matter.

2. "Bogus" Colleges

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

3. Macpherson Report – Ten Years On

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

4. The Work of the Home Office

Rt. Hon. Alan Johnson MP, Secretary of State, Home Department, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 15 July at 2.00pm.]

Wednesday 15 July 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer

David T. C. Davies
Gwyn Prosser
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

1. **Managing Migration: The Points Based System**

Draft Report (Managing Migration: The Points Based System), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraphs 1 to 12 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 13 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 14 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 15 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 16 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 17 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 18 to 49 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 50 read.

Amendment proposed in line 7 to leave out from "market" to end. —(*Mr James Clappison.*)

Ayes, 2

Mr James Clappison
David T. C. Davies

Noes, 5

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Gwyn Prosser
Martin Salter
Mr David Winnick

Paragraphs 51 to 66 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 67 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 68 to 79 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 80 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 81 to 113 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 114 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 115 and 116 read and agreed to.

Paragraphs 117 and 118 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 119 to 149 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 150 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 151 to paragraph 186 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 187 read.

Amendment proposed, to leave out lines 1 to 8 — (*Mr James Clappison.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: — Amendment, by
leave, withdrawn.

Paragraphs 188 and paragraph 189) read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 190 to paragraph 208 read and agreed to.

Paragraphs 209 to paragraph 222 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 223 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 224 to paragraph 232 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 233 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraphs 234 to paragraph 285 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 286 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 287 read and agreed to.

Paragraph 288 read, amended and agreed to.

Paragraph 289 read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report, as amended, be the Thirteenth Report of the
Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Report to the House.

Ordered, That embargoed copies of the Report be made available, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 134.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 16 September at 10.30am.]

Wednesday 16 September 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Mr David Winnick

Monday 14 September – Tuesday 15 September

The Chairman, Tom Brake, Mrs Ann Cryer, David T.C. Davies, Mrs Janet Dean, Gwyn Prosser and Mr David Winnick visited Lisbon and Madrid in connection with its inquiry into the Cocaine trade, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 2 June.

1. New Head of The Serious and Organised Crime Agency (SOCA)

Sir Ian Andrews, Chairman, SOCA gave oral evidence

2. The detention of children in the immigration system

The Chairman declared an interest as a non-practicing barrister.

Ali Soyeyi, The Children's Society, and Amanda Shah, Bail for Immigration Detainees gave oral evidence.

Dave Wood, Strategic Director, Criminality and Detention, UKBA gave oral evidence.

Sir Al Aynsley-Green, Children's Commissioner for England, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 13 October at 10:30am.]

Tuesday 13 October 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Policing Process of Home Office Leaks Inquiry: Government Response

Draft Special Report (*Policing Process of Home Office Leaks Inquiry*), proposed by the Chairman, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the draft Special Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraph 1 read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Special Report be the Second Special Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chairman make the Special Report to the House.

2. The Home Office's Response to Terrorist Attacks

Lord West of Spithead, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Security and Counter-Terrorism, gave oral evidence.

Rt. Hon. Dr. John Reid MP, gave oral evidence.

DCC Margaret Wood, Deputy Chief Constable, ACPO Terrorism and Allied Matters.

3. New Head of Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO)

Sir Hugh Orde, President, ACPO and Chief Constable Tim Hollis, Vice-President, ACPO gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 20 October at 10:30am.]

Tuesday 20 October 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Mr James Clappison
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean
Patrick Mercer

Gwyn Prosser
Bob Russell
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. Petitions

The Committee considered the petition from residents of North Norfolk and others concerning the access to air guns.

2. The Cocaine Trade

Steve Rolles, Head of Research, Transform Drugs Policy and Professor Neil McKeganey, Centre for Drugs Misuse Research, Glasgow University, gave oral evidence.

Sarah Graham and Mitch Winehouse gave oral evidence.

John Mann MP, Dr. Evan Harris MP and Lord Mancroft, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 27 October at 10:30am.]

Tuesday 27 October 2009

Members present:

Mr Gary Streeter, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

Resolved, That at this day's sitting, Mr Gary Streeter take the Chair of the Committee.—
(*Patrick Mercer.*)

1. Previous Witnesses

2. The Cocaine Trade

Paul Hayes, Chief Executive, National Treatment Agency for Substance Misuse, John Jolly, Chief Executive, Blenheim Community Drug Programme and Dr. Neil Brener, Medical Director and Addictions Specialist, The Priory Clinic, gave oral evidence.

Professor David Nutt, Chair and Dr Fiona Measham, Member, Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Wednesday 4 November at 10:30am.]

Wednesday 4 November 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Tom Brake
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Gwyn Prosser
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

Monday 2 November – Tuesday 3 November

The Chairman, Mr James Clappison, Mrs Ann Cryer, David T. C. Davies, Mrs Janet Dean, Mr Gary Streeter, the Second Clerk and the Committee Specialist visited the Netherlands in connection with the Committee's inquiry into the Cocaine Trade, in accordance with the Committee's decision of 4 May.

1. The Work of UKBA

The Chairman declared an interest as the spouse of a part-time judge.

Mr Phil Woolas MP, Minister of State for Borders and Immigration, Home Office, and Lin Homer, Chief Executive, UK Border Agency, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 November at 10:30am.]

Tuesday 10 November 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mr James Clappison
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeeter
Mr David Winnick

1. The Work of SOCA

The Committee discussed informally the Chairman's draft Report.

2. The Home Office's Response to Terrorist Attacks

Assistant Commissioner John Yates, Head of Specialist Operations, Metropolitan Police and Chairman, ACPO, Terrorism and Allied Matters, gave oral evidence.

Sir Ken Macdonald QC, gave oral evidence.

Keir Starmer QC, Director of Public Prosecutions, gave oral evidence.

3. The Cocaine Trade

H. E. Mr Mauricio Rodriguez-Munera, Colombian Ambassador to the United Kingdom, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 10 November at 4:30pm.]

Tuesday 10 November 2009

Members present:

Keith Vaz, in the Chair

Ms Karen Buck
Mrs Ann Cryer
David T.C. Davies
Mrs Janet Dean

Patrick Mercer
Martin Salter
Mr Gary Streeter
Mr David Winnick

1. The role of the Home Secretary in relation to the UK-US Extradition Treaty

Mrs Janice Sharpe, and Mr Mark Lever, Chief Executive, National Autistic Society, gave oral evidence.

Rt. Hon. Alan Johnson MP, Minister of State, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

[Adjourned till Tuesday 24 November at 10:30am