

The Rt Hon Dominic Raab MP
Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union
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Dear Dominic Raab MP,

We would like to congratulate you on your appointment as Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union and introduce you to British in Europe and the3million, the largest organisations representing British citizens in the EU and EU citizens in the UK.

We began our work in July 2016 soon after the EU referendum to protect and safeguard the rights of this unique and finite group of over four million citizens who in good faith made lives and homes in other European countries relying on their rights to do so and with the legitimate expectation that these were irrevocable.

As the second phase of EU/UK negotiations progresses, British in Europe and the3million continue this work actively to protect those rights through the Withdrawal Agreement, so that *“the same rules and laws will apply on the day after Brexit as they did before”* as stated by Prime Minister Theresa May’s Lancaster House speech.

The Windrush situation has done nothing to reassure that EU citizens will not experience a similar fate whereas the lack of continuing free movement for British citizens in Europe is still a major concern, as is the registration system by which their rights under the Withdrawal Agreement will be secured.

We would therefore like to request a meeting with you to discuss the above issues and the solutions required to address these issues.

We look forward to continuing to work with your Department, and to meeting with you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Golding – British in Europe
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