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Dear

I am writing to you regarding the rules on family reunion for refugees in the UK. I am concerned that the current rules are too restrictive and result in refugee families being kept apart, which can have a devastating impact on their lives.

I am aware that on Friday 16th March a private members bill on this issue will have its second reading. This bill includes important changes to refugee reunion rules:

* Expanding the definition of family member, as currently only partners and children under the age of 18 are allowed to join refugee family members in the UK
* Giving refugee children the right to be reunited with their parents, as under current reunion rules children cannot sponsor their parents to come to the UK, leaving them alone
* Reintroducing legal aid for making family reunion applications.

I would like to request that you attend the Second Reading of the Refugee Family Reunion Bill on Friday 16th March 2018 and vote in favour of the bill.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,