

**RESTRICTED (when complete)**

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

(CI Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)

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Statement of: Teena Oulaghan

Age if under 18: over 18

(if over 18 insert 'over 18')

Occupation: Immigration Officer 7580

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything in it, which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date 04/06/2015

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded  (sup)  witness details on rear

I am the above named officer. I am an Immigration officer of Immigration Enforcement unit, part of Home Office based at Sandford House, 41 Homer Road, Solihull, West Midlands, B91 3QJ.

During January 2014 I was contacted by PC ROOBOTTOM from DIGBETH POLICE STATION to see if I was able to assist with a job he was conducting at BIRMINGHAM MARKETS. The operation was being conducted on 16/01/2014 following reports of illegal workers from AFGHANISTAN on a stall in the market, details given to me of possible offenders for Immigration offences were checked against Home Office records and revealed that those named had valid leave in the UK and were able to take employment. Those persons checked were as follows:

Mr Saber Nazary – DoB 1.1.77 Address: [REDACTED], Alternative Address: [REDACTED]. UK Passport No. [REDACTED]

Mr Qasim Aryubi – DoB [REDACTED] Address: [REDACTED], NI No. [REDACTED]. Residence Permit No. [REDACTED]

Mr [REDACTED] – DoB [REDACTED] Address: [REDACTED]. Residence Permit No. [REDACTED], UKBA Case ID – [REDACTED], Bank [REDACTED]

Due to them all having the right to work in the UK I was unable to attend or take any part in the visit, and informed PC ROOBOTTOM of this.

On 24 January 2014 I was informed from one of my colleagues at Solihull that 7 AFGHANISTAN nationals had been arrested by PC ROOBOTTOM at the market when he had conducted a visit there and encountered them working, I was present at Birmingham Central Police Station and assisted officers from Solihull with all those arrested. I can confirm

that all 7 AFGHAN males were illegally present in the UK and dealt with in regards to their immigration status's only, and not from an illegal working aspect, therefore no civil penalty enquiries were made at the police station.

Those arrested details as below.

1. [REDACTED] – detained and due to be removed from the UK.
2. [REDACTED] – detained, no definite date for removal.
3. [REDACTED] – detained for possible removal to Italy. No date for removal yet.
4. [REDACTED] – detained and has made a claim for asylum.
5. [REDACTED] – detained for possible removal to France. No date for removal yet.
6. [REDACTED] – detained for possible removal to Italy. No date for removal yet.
7. [REDACTED] – released as he made a claim for asylum.

I can confirm that due to no Immigration involvement in this visit, no referral notice has been served on the employer for employing illegal immigrants. I am however able to confirm that non of the 7 males arrested had permission to take employment in the UK.

Since the visit I can confirm that persons 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 have all been removed from the UK, and there is no evidence of re-entry. Persons 4 and 7 are still in the UK but at large – no recent contact made with the Home Office.

I have no other information to add, and to the best of my knowledge I have had no other dealings with any of the 7 persons listed above since 24/01/2014.

Signature: Teena OULAGHAN

Signature witnessed by: [REDACTED]