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To: all branches and SOGs  
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**TSSA Annual Conference 2023, Cork  
Further Emergency motion**

Dear Colleagues

Attached is Emergency Motion Em5 on Illegal Migration Bill

Each branch or SOG can submit one amendment to this motion, to be received by SOC@tssa.org.uk (copied to [SupportServices@tssa.org.uk](mailto:SupportServices@tssa.org.uk)) by close of business on Monday 22 May 2023.

All amendments must be agreed at a branch meeting and confirmed by two branch officers, normally the Chair and Secretary. This can be carried out by one officer sending the email and copying the other officer in, with a confirmation email to follow from the second officer. Please provide the names and roles of the relevant officers.

You should recently have received Emergency Motion EM1 on the Kennedy and Conley Reports. The reports and actions taken in response are available on the TSSA website at <https://www.tssa.org.uk/about-tssa/our-union/independent-inquiry> and <https://www.tssa.org.uk/about-tssa/our-union/independent-inquiry/uwe-conley-report-into-equality-policy-and-practice-in-the-tssa>.

Publication of the Final Agenda will follow shortly.

Yours in solidarity

Joe Kavanagh  
Chair, Standing Orders Committee

## Emergency Motion

### Em5 Illegal Migration bill

1	That this Conference deplores the Tory Illegal Migration Bill passing unamended through	1
2	the Commons Second Reading on 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2023.	2
3	Conference notes that this bill targets the most vulnerable people in our society and is	3
4	being used by this Tory government to scapegoat migrants in the face of a rebellion	4
5	against the cost-of-living crisis. Conference calls on Labour to oppose the Illegal	5
6	Migration Bill, recognising that this bill unamended could put the UK in breach of both	6
7	domestic and international law and expose migrants to serious harm.	7
8	Conference notes that migrants benefit our economy and are essential for our NHS and	8
9	other public services functioning properly. Conference notes that the change that is	9
10	required is to provide safe routes for migrants and allow them the right to work, from	10
11	which we will all benefit.	11
12	Conference notes that the UK is still considered one of the most important global voices	12
13	on human rights, and the UN Refugee Agency has publicly stated, on 22 <sup>nd</sup> March, that	13
14	this bill represents a very real threat to the entire system of international refugee law.	14
15	Conference applauds the Association's response to the racist bill with the mobilisation	15
16	led by TSSA E-Mix on the March Against Racism demonstration on 18 <sup>th</sup> March, and calls on	16
17	our EC to continue to support mobilisations from the TUC, Stand Up To Racism and	17
18	similar initiatives in response to those that seek to divide us.	18
	<b>Network Rail London South</b>	