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Border & Immigration Agency

SIMPLIFYING IMMIGRATION LAW: AN INITIAL CONSULTATION

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Q1. ARE THE SIMPLIFICATION PRINCIPLES WHICH ARE SET OUT IN THE PREVIOUS SECTION THE RIGHT ONES?

Q2. WHAT SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WOULD YOU HOPE THAT THE SIMPLIFICATION PROJECT CAN RESOLVE?

Q3. WHAT PARTICULAR ISSUES NEED TO BE ADDRESSED IN REDUCING RELIANCE ON CONCESSIONS AND THE EXERCISE OF DISCRETION?

Q4. DO YOU AGREE WITH THE PROPOSED THREE TIER STRUCTURE OF PRIMARY LEGISLATION, IMMIGRATION RULES AND OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE?

Q5. ARE THERE PARTICULAR MODELS FOR SIMPLIFICATION, INTERNATIONALLY OR IN OTHER REGULATORY AREAS, WHICH HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL AND COULD PROVIDE A MODEL?

Q6. NATIONALITY LAW IS LARGELY SEPARATE FROM IMMIGRATION LAW. THE GATEWAY FROM MIGRATION PROCESSES TO CITIZENSHIP IS CLEARLY PART OF THIS PROJECT. BUT SHOULD THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF NATIONALITY LAW BE INCLUDED IN THE PRESENT SIMPLIFICATION PROCESS, OR LEFT ALONE? OR WOULD IT BE BETTER TO CONSOLIDATE NATIONALITY LAW SEPARATELY?

Q7. CAN WE USE THE SIMPLIFICATION PROCESS TO HELP MAKE CLEARER THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN TEMPORARY RESIDENTS IN THE UK, THOSE SEEKING SETTLEMENT, THOSE SETTLED HERE WITH NO TIME LIMIT ON THEIR STAY AND THOSE WHO GO ON TO BECOME BRITISH CITIZENS? CAN WE MAKE CLEARER THEIR RESPECTIVE OBLIGATIONS AND RIGHTS, AND HOW THESE DIFFERENT STATUSES NEED TO BE EARNED?

Q8. DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON, OR SUGGESTIONS FOR THE PROCESS?

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