



STATEMENT

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STATEMENT FROM THE OFFICE FOR JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

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IMMIGRATION JUDGE KHAN AND IMMIGRATION JUDGE J

Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers, Lord Chief Justice, said: “The Lord Chancellor and I have today decided to close the conduct investigation into allegations against Immigration Judge Khan and the former Immigration Judge, known as Judge J. We have concluded on the basic evidence available to us that they demonstrated poor judgment in offering paid work to Ms Driza, without being assured of her immigration status. We have informed both of them that in our view their decision to engage Ms Driza in these circumstances was ill judged, particularly in the light of the jurisdiction within which they both worked. We have also informed them that we will not pursue any further detailed enquiries into this matter given that Mr Khan continues to suffer from ill health and Judge J no longer holds judicial appointment.

The investigation has not extended to allegations which related solely to the private lives of Mr Khan and Judge J.

We can confirm that Judge J has taken early retirement on medical grounds and that Mr Khan is now formally absent on sick leave.”

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