



## Parliamentary Question – The GLA and Joint Border Intelligence Units

**Date:** 2 February 2015

**Asked by:** Paul Blomfield MP

### Question:

With reference to paragraph 4.31 of the Modern Slavery Strategy, published December 2014, what role she envisages for the Gangmasters Licensing Authority in the work of the proposed Joint Border Intelligence units?

### Response:

The Gangmasters Licensing Authority is an important partner in the fight against worker exploitation and modern slavery. The Gangmasters Licensing Authority will continue to develop partnerships with enforcement bodies, including the police, National Crime Agency, Border Force, HMRC and others including through the Joint Border Intelligence Units. This will involve sharing information as well as conducting joint operations to prevent exploitative practices from occurring.

The Gangmasters Licensing Authority is also working with the regulated sectors to raise awareness of exploitation and improve standards of worker treatment through the entire supply chain. This will include accredited training delivered via the academy being developed with the University of Derby to supply chain auditors, labour users, supermarket executive directors with responsibility for modern slavery and local authority chief executives.