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Dear Ms Valdez-Symonds,

Thank you for your letter dated 3 April in relation to the British Nationality Act (Remedial) Order 2018. I am very sorry for the delay in replying.

You have asked what steps have been taken to mitigate the situation of individuals who are prevented from registering their citizenship as a result of the incompatibility. Until the Order comes into force, Home Office officials have been instructed that no immigration enforcement action can be taken against individuals who would otherwise qualify for British citizenship but for the incompatibilities identified in the British Nationality Act 1981.

Where we have been made aware of individuals affected by the incompatibility who do not have an immigration status, we have taken action to put them in a comparable position by granting indefinite leave to remain. This will ensure that they can work in the UK and are able to access public funds. For individuals who are overseas the impact may be on their ability to come to the UK. Where we are made aware of individuals affected, we will consider their individual circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

Yours sincerely,

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