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The Hon Alex Hawke MP
Minister for Immigration, Citizenship,
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Dear Minister Alex

I recently met with a group of mothers from my electorate to discuss the ongoing treatment of the Murugappan family.

As you are aware, I have previously raised concerns about the impact that ongoing detention is having on the Murugappan family. My discussion with this group of mothers reflected the feedback that I am continuing to receive from a significant number of constituents in Reid, namely that they want the Government to let this family return to Biloela on a permanent basis.

I do not believe that it is sustainable for the Government to continue to provide temporary solutions to this matter. I am of the position that you should exercise your ministerial discretion and allow this family to stay permanently in Australia and return to Biloela.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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Federal Member for Reid

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