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Abbott MP, Labour's Shadow Home Secretary, commenting on the treatment of detainees at Brook House immigration detention centre, said:

"Sadly this is not an isolated incident. Under this Tory Government, Britain's detentions centres have developed a reputation for inhumane treatment.

"It's no wonder that the Home Office have repeatedly blocked my own attempts, as Shadow Home Secretary, to visit Yarl's Wood and that that the UN's rapporteur on violence against women was denied access to inspect conditions at this controversial facility.

"There have been numerous reports of improper conduct in G4S-run institutions, but the Tories seem content to continuing paying this company millions in taxpayers' money without holding them to account for their failures.

"Theresa May's "hostile environment" for immigrants has gone too far. The Government has a duty to ensure that detainees are treated with basic dignity and in accordance with their Human Rights.

"We cannot seek to promote human rights around the world, while holding detainees indefinitely and treating them in this despicable manner."