

Emergency demonstration against deportation of Samim Bigzad



Green Party

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The Green Party and Kent Anti-Racism Network have organised an emergency demonstration against the deportation of Samim Bigzad outside the Home Office at 5pm today [1].

The party has called the UK government “cruel and callous” and “shameless and undemocratic” after it sent Samim back to his home country Afghanistan yesterday despite the granting of a last minute injunction against his deportation [2]. Samim was at Istanbul airport when the injunction was announced but officials still put him on a plane bound for Kabul. The Green Party is demanding that Samim be returned to the UK and granted leave to stay.

Amelia Womack, Green Party deputy leader, will attend the demonstration. She is expected to say:

“It’s a cruel and callous government that’s willing to send a man to his death. It’s a shameless and undemocratic one that would do so against the wishes of a court of law.

“We won’t let them get away with it. We believe that Britain need not be a home to cruelty and division but a place of friendship and solidarity, a place where human life is respected and valued. We will fight this government until the end – until they bring Samim back.”

Notes:

1. <https://www.facebook.com/events/421734468221274/>
2. <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/samim-bigzad-deport-home-of-fice-afghanistan-beheading-kabul-court-order-violate-taliban-a7944491.html>

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