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Diane Abbott MP, Labour's Shadow Home Secretary, responding to reports that EU nationals living in the UK were sent deportation letters in error, said:

"EU

nationals have already been made to feel like a bargaining chip in Brexit negotiations, so this error will no doubt cause a lot of anxiety.

"As this government is prone to U-turns the only assurance worth anything to those affected is official documentation of their settled status. If it is true that Theresa May intends to grant those EU citizens currently living in

the UK the right to remain, they should simply be issued this now. Apparently official documents from the Home Office are easy enough to send!"