<u>Unlawful immigration advice given by</u> Southall man

Press release

Sentence to be announced later in the month



A London man has pleaded guilty to providing unregulated immigration advice, contrary to Section 91 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

Balvinder Singh Madan, 40, of Hillside Road, Southall admitted the offence at Westminster Magistrates Court on Wednesday 7 October

Mr Madan gave immigration advice and services (even though he did not possess the relevant authorisation, training or qualifications, as required by Section 84 of the 1999 Act) between 1 October 2017 and 24 April 2018 at offices in North West London.

Immigration Commissioner John Tuckett said of the conviction, "This offence is serious. Immigrants often find themselves in a vulnerable position; Mr Madan demonstrated what can happen when unqualified individuals hold themselves out as immigration advisers."

He is due to be sentenced on 28 October.

- 1. The OISC is an independent public body, established under the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, to regulate the provision of immigration advice and services in the UK.
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