



The International Labour Organization and the **Gangmasters Licensing Authority** have signed a letter of intent to strengthen their collaboration on tackling abusive recruitment practices that trick workers into modern slavery and forced labour.

Guy Ryder, Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and Paul Broadbent, Chief Executive of the Gangmasters Licensing Authority (GLA) signed the agreement in the presence of representatives from the Home Office, the Confederation of British Industry and the Trades Union Congress.

Minister for Vulnerability, Safeguarding and Countering Extremism, Sarah Newton said: “The Government is determined to eradicate modern slavery, it is a barbaric crime which destroys the lives of some of the most vulnerable in our society.

“I welcome the commitment from these two organisations to combine their efforts, it sends a strong message to perpetrators that we will not tolerate any form of exploitation.

“The Government has extended the remit and strengthened the powers of the GLA to prevent, detect and investigate worker exploitation across the entire economy...

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