

From: The Rt. Hon. Frank Dobson, M.P.



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Dr. Mohammed Lais

I have known Mr. Mohammed Lais since he was doing research into the careers, needs and performance of Bangladeshi young people some eight or nine years ago. This careful, thoughtful and original project led to him receiving the National Career Research Award and being made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

Throughout the time I have known Mohammed he has demonstrated an abiding commitment to trying to secure social cohesion and in particular better relations between Muslim young people and society in general.

He now wishes to follow this up with a study of the attitudes of prominent people to - Islam in line with his continuing commitment to building a cohesive society. I believe he would respect any undertaking he may give over privacy and related issues and that there would be no question of him seeking publicity for the views of any individual whom he may interview without their consent.

So, I commend Dr. Lais to you on the basis both of his trustworthiness and the potential value of his research.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F. Dobson', on a yellow background.

Rt. Hon. Frank Dobson MP