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The Muslim Forum of Albania
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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your letter which has only just been received in my office.

The Welsh Conservative Party and the Conservative Party more widely has obviously viewed this whole matter with concern and I can assure you that we are looking at the matter very closely.

The Party prides itself on its inclusive nature and we attract support from all quarters of the community and all faiths. I am very pleased that we have a Muslim Assembly Member within the Group that I lead in the National Assembly for Wales. He is an important and integral part of our Group and of our Party.

Following representations that have been made, and while the matter is investigated, Mirela Bogdani has been suspended from the Candidates' List of the Conservative Party.

She is not an adopted candidate for a seat in Wales and I don't believe ever has had a seat in Wales.



Thank you for your kind and respectful letter.

With warm regards

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nicholas Bourne". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "N" and "B".

NICHOLAS BOURNE AM
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