

We, as leaders of UK organisations working on development and humanitarian work around the world, stand in solidarity with calls to [stop the far-right](#) and with people of colour and communities who have been targeted and threatened by racist, Islamophobic and antisemitic violence in the UK over recent days.

We pledge to support the wellbeing and safety of our colleagues who are directly or indirectly affected by, and fearful of, this violence. We must not lose sight of the fact that three young girls were murdered in Southport which has been exploited by the far-right to fuel this violence. We stand in solidarity with the families of those who lost loved ones in Southport. No family anywhere in the world should have to fear for the safety of their children. There is no justification for racism on the streets of the UK. This violence is not an isolated incident—it's a symptom of a deeper, pervasive issue that we must stand against and actively work to eradicate.

We also re-assert the right of people fleeing violence and persecution to claim asylum in the UK and we are encouraged by the demonstrations of support for this principle from people across the UK.

Our struggles against fascism and the far-right are connected across the globe and we know that it is critical that our messaging and leadership also supports those in the UK who are pushing back against racist rhetoric and rebuilding places targeted by violence. Where appropriate, we commit to strengthening connections that support anti-racist work in the UK, and ensure that our work domestically and internationally resonates with wider global anti-racist action.

We re-commit to tackling and dismantling racism as a key priority for our organisations and for our sector. As the Bond Report [Racism, Power and Truth](#) demonstrated in 2021, we know that we need to address the colonial roots of the international development and humanitarian system and to challenge structural racism within our sector, taking a deliberate approach to ensure that our organisations become actively anti-racist.

We will ensure that our commitments to tackle racism result in bold action and not just words.

We stand together in hope and against hate.

Sincerely,

Led by the Bond CEO Group on Anti-Racism.

Signed,

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