

Education Children and Young People Committee

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Dear Secretary of State,

SSI 2022-156 The Education (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2022

The Committee considered SSI 2022-156 The Education (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 at its meeting on 8 June 2022.

At that meeting, the Committee agreed to write to you to highlight issues raised in the discussion of the instrument.

These regulations do not make provision for Ukrainian nationals who are studying a course of further or higher education at a Ukrainian institution but are resident in Scotland. As students, they are ineligible for Universal Credit, however, as students of a Ukrainian college or university, they are also - currently - ineligible for student support.

The Committee therefore wishes to urge you and the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to work together to find a solution for students in this position.

Yours sincerely,

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