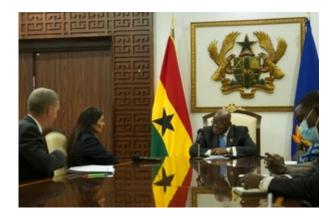
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She met counterparts to discuss shared security challenges, tackling illegal migration, and serious and organised crime.

In Ghana, the Home Secretary met President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo and Ghana's Minister for National Security Albert Kan-Dapaah co-hosting the first UK-Ghana security dialogue.

In the Netherlands, the Home Secretary held meetings with Migration Minister Ankie Broekers-Knol and Justice and Security Minister Ferdinand Grapperhaus, discussing the shared challenges of illegal migration, countering terrorism, and serious and organised crime.

The Home Secretary was also briefed on some of the operational successes led by the National Crime Agency and their Dutch counterparts and travelled to the Hook of Holland port to see first-hand the work UK and Dutch law enforcement do there.

Home Secretary Priti Patel added:

The challenges of illegal migration and serious organised crime, and the devastating effects it has on our all countries, are shared between the UK, Ghana and Netherlands.

Only by all working together can we put an end to this criminal activity and ensure vulnerable people are protected, drugs and weapons are kept off our streets, and ultimately our citizens are

safer.

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