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Diane Abbott MP, Labour's Shadow Home Secretary, speaking in response to reports of a new deal on Calais refugees, said:

"This new attempt to address the refugee crisis in Calais is in reality an admission of failure.

"We have repeatedly been told that security measures would solve the problem, but it has just shifted it from Calais to Sangatte and back to Calais again.

"We need humane treatment of all these people, safe and legal routes for genuine refugees and the UK Government needs to honour our moral obligations by taking our fair share of refugees."