

# STOP the Forced Repatriation of Parveen Khan & her children

PARVEEN KHAN came from Pakistan in 1979 to marry Shaukat Ali Khan. She now lives with his father in Longsight with her two children. She is 23 years old. Her children are both British citizens by birth. Her husband is in hiding. If he is found the whole family face removal from the country. She receives no child benefit for her children.

## WHAT HAS HAPPENED?

Parveen Khan came to Britain as Shaukat Ali Khan's fiancée. The reasons for her situation are directly related to her husband's immigration status in this country. They serve to illustrate the racism of the immigration laws and the idiocy of their application.

Shaukat Khan came to Britain in 1972 at the age of 13 in order to stay with his father. However as he entered on a relative's passport he was technically an illegal entrant. Between 1974 and 1976 an amnesty was granted to many illegal immigrants. Shaukat was eligible for this amnesty, but believed it was automatic, whereas he should have applied for resident status. He only discovered this in November 1981.

Technically therefore Parveen Khan is also an illegal immigrant because when she entered Britain in 1979, she withheld 'a material fact' - that her husband was an illegal immigrant - a 'fact' she was not to know herself until November 1981!

Parveen's children were born in April 1980 and August 1981, and both are British citizens.

## DEPORTATION ORDERED

In November 1981 the Home Office ordered the removal of Parveen and Shaukat Ali Khan from Britain because they were 'illegal entrants'. Despite the fact that Shaukat was only 13 when he came and therefore not aware of the implications of his entry, and that Parveen was totally ignorant of any problem existing when she entered, the Home Office has refused to listen to any appeals.

'Removal' means that Parveen and Shaukat have no right of appeal to the Immigration Appeals Tribunal.



In January 1982 Shaukat Ali Khan 'disappeared' in order to avoid his then imminent removal. The Home Secretary has said he will not deport the rest of the Khan family until Shaukat is found.

## NO FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Parveen has no means of support. She receives no supplementary benefit because of their regulations. Her child benefit has not been paid to her, even though the law says that if you are born and live in Britain you are entitled to it. The reason stated for refusal was that it was public policy not to pay child benefit because of her immigration status. A case quoted in support of that decision was the refusal to pay widow's parent to a woman who had murdered her husband.

On December 15th, Parveen won an appeal against this decision, but the DHSS has refused to implement the appeal decision. It seems likely that the DHSS will suspend payment while they appeal to the Commissioner, a process likely to take many months.

**THREATENED WITH REMOVAL -  
DENIED RIGHTFUL BENEFITS.**