

frontline staff. The **Border Force approach to PPE is in alignment with the other HO operational commands, PHE advice and PHE First Responder Guidance**. We also have daily calls with Border Force staff to discuss concerns (without any risk of resulting disciplinary action).

### 3. MIG Updates

#### GPS MIG

- Today's GPS MIG has been shortened to allow a separate MIG session directly afterwards on Non-Shielded Vulnerable people. For this session, officials have provided the Home Secretary with briefing outlining the work we are doing to identify and support victims of hidden crimes (such as Domestic Abuse and Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse); the importance of joining up across government to ensure targeted approach to supporting vulnerable people; and that we are prioritising support for domestic abuse victims and vulnerable children in accessing the financial support for charities (and encourage DCMS and HMT to consider the need for these charities in protecting the vulnerable when finalising support).
- The GPS MIG will include standing public order update and a discussion on Rough Sleeping (led by MHCLG). Briefing has been provided to the Home Secretary that outlines our work and interests relating to this – including accommodation for asylum seekers; temporary changes to HO policies to ease Local Authority housing pressures at this time (e.g. suspended exit of individuals from Modern Slavery Victim Care Contract accommodation for three months); and working closely with the NPCC, MHCLG and other partners to identify any challenges around drug misuse or dealing in emergency accommodation.

#### International MIG – officials' meeting

- Today's IMIG (Officials) meeting focuses on international leadership, with papers that seek to identify the key opportunities for the UK to display this in our Covid-19 response as well as the supporting comms focus that would sit alongside this. It suggests a strong focus on leading the global health response, global economic recovery, trade, and climate change. This discussion appears to be a direct follow up to the NSC(O) discussion last week: we are seeking a readout of that meeting which can be shared on the Official systems to ensure our engagement is joined up across both fora. Our understanding is that there will be a subsequent Cabinet Secretary deep dive on 27 April to build further on this work.

### 4. Border update: CDL meeting

- The Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster will **host a small ministerial group discussion today, which the Home Secretary will attend, on a cohesive plan for the border as we move into the next phase of the strategy to tackle Covid-19**. This will be followed by a PM / First Secretary of State meeting later this week to discuss and agree the proposed approach.
- **Home Office led the production of a cross-Whitehall paper** (with input from relevant departments, including DHSC, FCO, and DIT) submitted yesterday (20 April) to inform that meeting. This is focussed on health-related measures at the border (rather than