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Researcher on migrant workers in Qatar available for interview ahead of FIFA Executive Committee meeting

On 3 and 4 October the International Football Federation (FIFA) is due to hold an Executive Committee meeting in Zurich where workers' rights and the Qatar 2022 World Cup will be discussed.

Ahead of this meeting, James Lynch, Amnesty International's researcher on migrant workers in the Gulf, is available for interview.

James has spent several weeks in Qatar over the past year researching the treatment of migrant workers in the construction and domestic work sectors. Amnesty International plans to release a major report on the situation of migrants in Qatar in November.

"FIFA must show the world that they are truly gripping this issue and are acting now to prevent exploitation and human rights abuses from taking place as a result of the World Cup in Qatar," said James Lynch.

"We need to see clear plans for how FIFA will address this issue with both the Qatar 2022 organising committee and the Qatari government. It is critical that their efforts go beyond looking solely at how the stadiums or training grounds will be built, to ensure that the hundreds of thousands of migrant workers who are building the wider infrastructure that will support the World Cup, such as roads, rail and hotels, are properly protected from exploitation."

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