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THIS COUNTRY BLEEDS IN ITS RAPE CULTURE AS IF ANYONE CARES

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THE PORTUGUESE TRANSGENDER EXPERIENCE

BY GONCALO ALVES

You know, growing up in Portugal, it never seemed that great. We're a poor country, largely ignored because of the Spain directly next to us, not really standing out for any reason other than football and Cristiano Ronaldo. But I was always proud of our LGBT policies which are amongst the best in the world. We had a rough era in the 20th century with an intensely religious dictatorship but despite this horrible past we legalised gay marriage in 2010, which means almost half of my life it has been legal.

However, gender identity laws have been lagging behind. Being transgender in Portugal means having to be assessed by two different teams of doctors over the course of months or years to be "diagnosed" with transgenderism and gender dysphoria, coupled with the fact there aren't many decent public services meaning you need to take the horribly expensive private route which isn't easy.

This year, better transgender laws have been the talk of my country due to a bill introduced by the Left Bloc party in 2016 which focuses on allowing self-determination when it comes to your gender. This bill passed

through parliament in March, and everyone in the queer community in Portugal celebrated.

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DEFINITION OF THE WEEK

HOME SECRETARY

Cabinet member in charge of internal affairs like immigration, citizenship and national security.

BRITISH CITIZENS DEPORTED FROM BRITAIN

BY FRANKIE BROWN

A national outcry is being heard by the Windrush Generation, following discrimination over their apparent statuses as British Citizens. I'd like to give praise and thanks to the kind and hardworking mindset of the hundreds that first came to Britain from the Caribbean between the 1940s and 1970s to assist gaps in the job market with their families.

These commonwealth citizens are being asked under immigration reforms to prove their legitimacy as British citizens, despite many not being able to provide the copious documents since they were not provided with them on arrival as early as 1947. Many who were born, educated

and have worked steadily in the UK have been threatened with deportation or worse due to failing to provide evidence of their right to residency. Many of them have been left living and working for years without what the home office now demands to see, took their time didn't they... Following Conservative reforms tightening immigration laws under Theresa May and Amber Rudd, there are questions to be asked about the apparent moral implications of the government's "Hostile Environment Policy" which intended to tackle illegal immigration and create a fairer migration system.

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SYRIA...

BY KATIE BOWDERY

We are all aware that the conflict in Syria is just getting more and more devastating. The most recent tragedy being the destruction of the Yarmouk refugee camp, an area that has been under the control of ISIS since 2015.

160,000 CITIZENS HAVE FLED AND 60% OF THE CAMP HAS BEEN DESTROYED.

As recently as April 22nd, Yarmouk was hit with "140 Syrian and Russian Air strikes, 78 barrel bombs and 98 surface to surface missiles".

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