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Reed Hastings- Co-Chief Executive
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Dear Mr Hastings and Mr Sarandos,

Immediate removal of Jimmy Carr's Holocaust 'joke'

We write to you demanding the removal of the 'joke' about the Holocaust from Jimmy Carr's 'His Dark Materials' currently on Netflix.

Carr said: "When people talk about the Holocaust, they talk about the tragedy and horror of 6 million Jewish lives being lost to the Nazi war machine. But they never mention the thousands of Gypsies that were killed by the Nazis. No one ever wants to talk about that, because no one ever wants to talk about the positives."

Hundreds of thousands of Roma and Sinti people suffered prejudice, slave labour, sterilisation and mass murder simply because of their identity – these are not experiences for mockery.

Netflix's approval and funding of this material legitimises and perpetuates discrimination and racism. Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities continue to face systematic discrimination. Allowing this material to exist on Netflix will have real life consequences.

Jimmy Carr's "joke" about the murder of Gypsy and Roma people in the Holocaust is offensive and disgusting. It normalises and endorses racism - and this is a step towards crimes against humanity and genocide.

You very deliberately approved this and we call on you to remove it immediately.

The Culture Secretary has also condemned Netflix over Jimmy Carr's comments and has stated that legislation will change to regulate media content, to hold Netflix to account 'very shortly'. However, we urge Netflix to remove 'His Dark Materials' immediately, rather than awaiting legislative change.

Yours sincerely,

Fleur Anderson MP and Lord Sheikh
Co-Chairs of the All Party Parliamentary Group for the Prevention of Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity

Martin Docherty-Hughes and Baroness Whitaker
Co-Chairs of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Gypsies, Travellers and Roma



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