

# Upper Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber)

# THE IMMIGRATION ACTS

Heard at Birmingham Civil Justice Decision & Reasons Promulgated Centre
On 31 May 2019
On 26 June 2019

# **Before**

# **UPPER TRIBUNAL JUDGE PERKINS**

#### Between

#### THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE HOME DEPARTMENT

<u>Appellant</u>

Appeal Number: PA/10086/2017

#### and

#### EMAAD [A]

(anonymity direction not made)

Respondent

### **Representation:**

For the Appellant: Mr D Mills, Senior Home Office Presenting Officer

For the Respondent: Ms E Norman, Counsel instructed by IM Wilson Solicitors

#### **DECISION AND REASONS**

- 1. This is an appeal by the Secretary of State against a decision of the Firsttier Tribunal allowing the appeal of the respondent, hereinafter the claimant, against a decision of the Secretary of State refusing him leave to remain on human rights grounds.
- 2. The difficulty in the decision is that the First-tier Tribunal allowed the appeal on human rights grounds and on refugee grounds. There were no refugee grounds raised on which such a decision could hang and the Secretary of State appeals to this Tribunal on the basis that that part of the decision was unlawful. It was, literally, groundless.

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3. Mr Mills made it plain that there is no challenge to the decision to allow the appeal on human rights grounds. Ms Norman considered her position but had no serious arguments to go raise against the contention that the Secretary of State's appeal should be allowed to the limited extent outlined by Mr Mills.

4. In the circumstances and we allow the appeal to the extent that we set aside the decision to allow the appeal on Refugee Convention grounds. We make it plain that the decision to allow the appeal on human rights grounds stands.

# **Notice of Decision**

The Secretary of State's appeal is allowed to the limited extent indicated above.

Jonathan Perkins

Judge of the Upper Tribunal

Dated 25 June 2019