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Dear Prime Minister,

Re: Child X

It has suddenly dawned on me that with you being a non-clinician you probably don't know the importance of diagnosis in this case.

Much of the confusion stemmed from the child's post-traumatic stress masking his autism. Nobody bothered to read his case history once he returned to Hemel Hempstead. They never saw past his bad behaviour, which was constantly escalating with each new school, as the treatment of an autistic child should have been extremely different to what he received. The naughty boy needs to accept the regime and stabilise to it. A traumatised autistic child will need huge amounts of patience until a bond is made, one to one, and then there can be headway.

It took me six months for the child to engage with me. He could only engage with one person at a time, so his mother and I shared him, taking some of the pressure off the family. Without medication he was full-on for 20 hours a day and needed to be kept occupied. After being restrained, bullied and traumatised with each placement/school he switched off and stayed in fright/flight mode which led to several feral episodes, and we are still dealing with this today.

He is a complex child with complex needs which have been hugely aggravated by his wrong diagnosis and wrong handling. Social Services and Education will all be tick-box perfect because they passed their Offsteds yet it is all wrong information giving a biased slant, and giving the child no chance.

Yours sincerely,

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