

Dear Representatives of the TSSA,

I am writing to you in regards to the recent death of Belly Mujinga, her death follows after an assault was carried out on 21st March in which her and colleagues were spat at and coughed on during their shift at London Victoria Station.

As I am sure you are aware, it was revealed on 29th May that The British Transport Police ruled that they believed there was no link between the act of assault and her death and stated that 'no further action will be taken', closing the case. In spite of this Ms. Mujinga's passing on 5th April comes just two weeks after the assault had taken place and after several days having been admitted to hospital and testing positive for COVID-19.

Following the outcome in regards to Ms. Mujinga's death and The British Transport Police's dismissal of the case, I urge you as the TSSA to which Ms. Mujinga was a member of to take action on her behalf and to that of her loved ones following her death. As an essential worker, Ms. Mujinga was failed by the union to be protected as following she had expressed concerns for her wellbeing due to respiratory issues. Ms. Mujinga made appeals to work away from crowds at the busy station due to there being no PPE provided for railway workers, her concerns were inadequately dismissed.

Unfortunately in spite of the assault carried out and Ms. Mujinga's passing it was reported by *The Independent* in an article released on 14th May by a worker at London Victoria station that "There's not much being done to check all the staff, today is the first day we have had masks." Going forward, it shows that there is no matter of urgency being placed in order to protect and ensure the safety of railway workers to prevent such an act happening again in the future.

As a concerned individual I urge you to recognise the needs of more effective regulations and protection of railway workers during this time and for an assault similar to that of Ms Mujinga which effectively cost her life does not take place again.

Regards,

(Your Name)