Use UK ceramics in British embassies, GMB tells Govt



USE UK POTTERY IN BRITISH EMBASSIES WORLDWIDE TO BACK OUR CERAMICS INDUSTRY, GMB TELLS FOREIGN SECRETARY

The Government must commit to using UK made pottery at British embassies across the globe in order to show it backs the country's ceramics industry and its workers.

GMB General Secretary Gary Smith made the call in a letter to Foreign Secretary David Lammy.

The union is campaigning for protection against the spiralling energy costs hitting the ceramics industry, after the Government's flagship Industrial Strategy failed to tackle the costs of gas for UK kilns.



Gary Smith, GMB General Secretary, said:

"UK ceramics are the envy of the world, but political failure has left our pottery firms battling against eye-watering costs to keep their kilns lit.

"With a network of more than 300 embassies and High Commissions, the UK has a golden opportunity to showcase the best of UK pottery at embassies across the world.

"It's a use it or lose it moment for British Pottery; we're calling for David Lammy and the rest of the Government to play their part in defending a vital British Industry".

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