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21 year old from [COUNTRY], has been in Britain for 1 ½ years, family is still in [COUNTRY]. They encourage her to leave home. Parents are great travellers and went to [COUNTRY 2] when she was 16, so she didn't see much of them for a while. Sister had been here for a while but had gone back.

Pretty with red hair held in back in pony tail by clip. Quite confident and vivacious, nice smile. Wearing cream blouse and straight brown skirt that looked like the bottom part of a suit. I presume she has to be quite smart for her job [PUBLIC RELATIONS ROLE]. She lives in a rather smart flat in a quiet mews in [WEST LONDON BOROUGH]. Three of them (all young women, one who works with her) share the flat, it has a roof terrace and garage as well.

She did seem to show a bit of nervousness with her hands etc, when talking about some aspects of sexual relationships and her ghastly experience of being gang raped [IN COUNTRY], when she was 18. She was led into a gang headquarters, and [REDACTED], 8 men raped her, some repeatedly, but only 3 were eventually convicted (after 5 trials I think) because the only witnesses who said they would give evidence vanished to [COUNTRY 2] a few days before the trial, so they could only convict on her identification. Considering the devastating nature of this experience she had no difficulties talking about it nor in talking about sex in general and her various relationships. She said she talked about these sorts of things with a lot of people, and they did at work as well. It had obviously affected her attitude to men and sex but her latest relationship seemed to be going very well, he was gentle and caring and had reacted very supportively when she told him about the rape. (When she first came to Britain she had a relationship with a guy who sounded pretty awful, and who forced her to have anal sex because she’d got off with someone else while he was away in [COUNTRY 3]. This was her punishment he said. She felt like she'd been raped again. (She had!)

She felt she is a risk taker, and rather irresponsible in general. Not always consistent with using contraception, if on pill sometimes doesn't take it for a month or a week etc. Used to use drugs (marijuana, LSD)but not anymore. Smokes and drinks. Has had an AIDS test here but has not actually gone back for the result, assumes she is probably all right because she'd asked to be informed and thought they would write to her if she was positive. Obviously aware of AIDS but willing to take risks, feels was at risk in the past, but with present relationship that she isn’t because he hasn't had many relationships before.

Is willing to be interviewed again, and would like to do a diary – she writes a diary anyway.