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Dear Ms Moore

Freedom of Information Request: Reference 810002951

Thank you for your e-mailed request of 31 August in which you ask about how many children have been forcibly adopted without parental consent and against parental wishes since 2006.

The figures below show the numbers of Adoption Orders (AOs) year by year.

April '06 - March '07 16 AOs
April '07 - March '08 10 AOs
April '08 - March '09 9 AOs
April '09 - March '10 12 AOs

The issue of consent is complex and can change during the process of care proceedings leading up to the granting of an adoption order. To establish accurate figures is a substantial piece of work requiring in excess of 20 hours. A true picture would necessitate dialogue that might identify individuals and careful thought would have to be given to our duty to protect the confidentiality of all those involved in and affected by the adoption process.

I trust that this information is to your satisfaction. However, if you wish to apply for an internal review of the information provided, or to complain about the way your request was handled please contact:

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Yours sincerely

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