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Dear Mr Yeo

Thank you for your e-mail of 26 February 2016. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You have requested the following information:

I would be grateful if you could release information on decisions to deprive a person of their British citizenship. This information does not appear to be included in the normal quarterly or annual statistics.

I would like to know:

1. How many deprivation decisions have been made each year for the last 10 years.

Our records indicate that 81 deprivation decisions were made 2006 to 2015. A breakdown by year is at Annex A.

2. If possible I would also like to see the breakdown of reasons for deprivation for those numbers over the last 10 years

Please see table at ANNEX A.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference 38734. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response.

If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours Sincerely

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ANNEX A - BREAKDOWN OF REASONS FOR DEPRIVATION

The British Nationality Act 1981, section 40(2) provides:

The Secretary of State may by order deprive a person of a citizenship status if the Secretary of State is satisfied that deprivation is conducive to the public good.]

Section 40(3) provides:

The Secretary of State may by order deprive a person of a citizenship status which results from his registration or naturalisation if the Secretary of State is satisfied that the registration or naturalisation was obtained by means of—

- (a) fraud,
- (b) false representation, or
- (c) concealment of a material fact.

The table below is a summary showing the number of people who had their citizenship deprived in each year from 2006 to 2015, separated into deprivations on the grounds of Section 40(2) or Section 40(3) of the British Nationality Act. Our records indicate:

Year	Grand Total
2006	*
2009	*
2010	*
2011	6
2012	6
2013	18
2014	23
2015	19
Grand Total	81

*less than 5

Section 40(2)	Section 40(3)	Grand Total
36	45	81

Notes:

- This is provisional management information that is subject to change. It has not been assured to the standard of Official Statistics.