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Dear Sir

Thank you for your letter of 12 September requesting information on UKVI's hub and spokes, specifically:

- Please confirm into which regions is UK visas & Immigration's overseas network currently split?
- ➤ Which are the current hub posts (b) which decide visa applications (c) and for which spoke posts are they the hubs?

Your request is being handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the Home Office holds the information you have requested. Please see below:

- ➤ The overseas network is currently split into six regions namely:
- a- Asia Pacific
- b- South Asia
- c- Gulf region
- d- Euro med
- e- Africa &
- f- Americas

The current hub posts and which spokes they work with in deciding their visa applications are enclosed. Please note that the current list of Hubs and spokes is being updated and will be available by the end of October.

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 [32905]. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response. The contact address for requesting an internal review is below:

Information Access Team Home Office Ground Floor, Seacole Building 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

E-mail: FOIRequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk.

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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