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Dear Ms Smith

Freedom of Information - 41830

Thank you for your e-mails of 14 November, in which you ask for information regarding Emergency Travel Documents (ETDs). Your query has been handled as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Number of Successful ETD Applications

For the following years, please provide the number of successful applications made for Emergency Travel Documents.

- 1. 2013 2014
- 2. 2014 2015
- 3. 2015 2016
- 4. 2016 [thus far]

Deportations and Enforced Removals via a European Letter

For the following years, please provide the number of people who were forcibly removed or deported from the UK via 1) a European letter, and 2) a Chicago Convention letter.

- 1. 2013 2014
- 2. 2014 2015
- 3. 2015 2016
- 4. 2016 [thus far]

Prosecution for ETD Non-compliance

For the following years, please provide an answer as to how many people were prosecuted for failing to co-operate with the re-documentation process of obtaining an ETD for their enforced removal or deportation from the UK. If possible, please categories this number by the nationality attributed to individuals by the Home Office.

- 1. 2013 2014
- 2. 2014 2015
- 3. 2015 2016
- 4. 2016 [thus far]





Quality Assurance Process for Obtaining ETD

Please provide me with the quality assurance process for obtaining Emergency Travel Documents, as quoted in page 10 of http://icinspector.independent.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/An-Inspection-of-the-Emergency-Travel-Document-Process-Final-Web-Version.pdf

Deportations and Enforced Removals via an ETD

For the following years, please provide the number of 1) enforced removals, and 2) deportations, that were carried out using an Emergency Travel Document obtained by the Home Office. If possible, please include the total number of deportations and forced removals (via both charter and commercial flights) for each year, or present the request in terms of percentages, so that the answers can be viewed in respect to the total number of deportations and removals carried out per year, with or without an ETD.

- 1. 2013 2014
- 2. 2014 2015
- 3. 2015 2016
- 4. 2016 [thus far]

Failed Deportations

For the following years, please provide the number of times that people forcibly removed or deported arrived at the country of destination, but the plane was denied permission to land, or the person was denied permission to disembark, and the plane had to return to the UK with the person facing removal or deportation. If possible, please specify when the refusal by the receiving country was due to a lack of, or incorrect, travel documents for the person being forcibly removed or deported.

Inability to Obtain ETD

For the following years, please provide the number of people (awaiting deportation or enforced removal) released from detention, due to the inability to obtain an ETD for their deportation or enforced removal where possible, please provide data categorised by nationality, specifying the countries to which deportation or enforced removal was sought. If possible, please specific the numbers for when the inability to obtain an ETD was due to individual non-compliance, or due to the receiving country's refusal to issue an ETD.

- 1. 2013 2014
- 2. 2014 2015
- 3. 2015 2016
- 4. 2016 [thus far]

The attached seven Freedom of Information requests have been amalgamated as they relate to a similar subject matter.

We are still progressing your request. I regret that we are unable to send you a full response to your request within the time frame required by the Act; this is due to internal delays with the FOI process. I would like to apologise on behalf of the Department for this delay, but I can assure you that we are dealing with your request and we will send you a full reply as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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