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Dear Mr Adams

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 4 May in which you ask for data on change of name applications on passports.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI Act).

- \* data on the number of passport applications delayed over recent 3 years for all those who have requested a name change. splitting the data for all minorities and indigenous peoples in UK as one group and non minorities as another group.
- \* data on the number of name change request for passports declined over a recent 3 years period. splitting the data for all minorities and indigenous peoples in UK as one group and non minorities as another group.

Her Majesty's Passport Office does not hold the information which you have requested. The passport application form does not ask passport applicants for their ethnicity; therefore, we do not hold this information.

Information on the number of applications requesting a change of name on a passport is held; however, we are unable to provide the level of detail you have requested on change of name applications.

Yours sincerely

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