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Dear Mr Tumulty,

Freedom of Information request (reference number: 35282)

Thank you for your e-mail of 4th May in which you asked for information regarding voluntary repatriation from the UK. A full copy of your request for information can be found in the attached annex. Your request is being handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

It is not clear from your e-mail exactly what you mean by “voluntary repatriation”. To help us to deal with your request properly, I would be grateful if you could clarify this.

Repatriation is defined as a voluntary process for a prisoner serving a sentence in one country to apply to serve that sentence in another country. Therefore, can you confirm whether you mean the repatriation for foreign national prisoners, or do you want information on assisted voluntary returns (AVR) for migrants?

Once you provide this information, we will aim to send you a full response to your request within twenty working days. If we do not receive clarification of your request within three months from the date of this letter, we will consider this request to be closed.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Access Team

Annex – Requested information

In the past 3 years of date on request could I have the following information in regards to voluntary repatriation from the UK.

- Top 10 country's of re location per year.
- How much in re location grants has been paid to clients who repatriated.
- How much has been spent in translation services - list top 10 where possible of languages translated from English to individuals.
- How many people have used the repatriation services in total (Year order)
- How many of the figures above have been known to re entre the UK or attempted legally / illegally.
- How much has been spent on flights / travel to from locations home and abroad
- List all other expenses that occur from the repatriation process
- How many have been refused this service
- How many have been refused access at the other country or repatriation location (list country's where possible)