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By e-mail to:

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Dear Mr Chandler

Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (Our Reference 44697)

Thank you for your e-mail of 20 July 2017, in which you ask for the number of Freedom of Information Act requests received by the Home Office over the past four years and the number of these which took more than 20 days to process. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We believe that the information you have requested is already reasonably accessible to you. It can be found on the Gov.uk website at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/government-foi-statistics>.

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act exempts the Home Office from having to provide you with this information, because it is already reasonably accessible to you. The statistics are published quarterly and the number of requests that took more than 20 days can be found in the table 'timeliness' (table 3) in the bulletin. If you have any difficulties in accessing this information at the source which I have indicated, please contact me again.

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 **44697**. 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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Information Rights Adviser