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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your letter of 24 October in which you requested further clarification of the data provided in our letter of 16 August regarding reviewed applications, specifically:

- What percentage of the visa applications do the figures represent
- What were the figures of 196,363 & 112,484 amended to post review?

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

Please see tables A & B below for the data you require. The data quoted has been derived from local management information and is therefore provisional and subject to change.

A -Percentage of applications each of the figures represents.

| Period | Applications | Issued w/ECM review | % Issued | Refused w/ECM review | % refused |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Apr 2012- Mar 2013 | 2,571,460 | 196, 363 | 8% | 112,484 | 4% |

Table B – What these numbers of 196,363 & 112, 484 were amended to, post review

| Period | Status | Initial Decision | Post (ECM) Review |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Apr 2012-Mar 2013 | Issued | 196, 363 | 189, 399 |
| Apr 2012-Mar 2013 | Refused | 112,484 | 98, 073 |

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 [29431]. 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
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2 Marsham Street
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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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