

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Decision notice

Date: 5 September 2024

Public Authority: Home Office

Address: 2 Marsham Street
London
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Request:

The complainant requested the following information from the Home Office on 1 July 2024:

"I would like to request the following information regarding Global Business Mobility applications:

1. The number of Global Business Mobility applications received over the last two years.
2. Of these applications, how many were decided within the published service standard of 8 weeks?
3. How many were decided outside of the published service standard of 8 weeks?
4. For those applications that were refused, what were the main reasons for refusal within the same period?

To clarify, I am requesting this information for the period from 31/12/2022 to 1st July 2024. If the most recent data is not yet available, I want up-to-date data which you have access to."

Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

Steps:

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
LEICESTER,
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
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