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Our Ref: FOICR 17053/10

Date: 21 December 2010

Dear Xxxxxxxx

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST**

Thank you for your e-mail of 6 December, in which you ask for information on the Voluntary Early Release Scheme 2010. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am able to disclose the following information.

You asked:-

**1. The number of staff in the London Passport Office who applied to leave IPS under the IPS Voluntary Early Release Scheme 2010.**

29 staff in total.

**2. The number of staff working in the Evening shift in the London Passport Office that applied to leave IPS under the same scheme mentioned above.**

8 staff from the above total.

**3. The number of successful applications in the Evening Shift and London Passport Office as a whole.**

4 staff from the evening shift and 8 staff from the day shift.

**4. The number of unsuccessful applications in the Evening shift and the London Passport Office as a whole.**

4 staff from the evening shift - 13 staff from the day shift.

I hope that this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you that we have provided you with all relevant information that the Identity and Passport Service holds.

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 17053/10. 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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**Parliamentary & Correspondence Management Team**