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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 REQUEST REF: 0949-16

Thank you for your email of 09 October 2016 asking for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. You asked:

Could you please state how many British nationals are suspected of travelling to Syria or Iraq for terror-related activities?

Could you please outline how many have returned to Britain?

Could you also state how many have been arrested/charged/imprisoned and where?

Could you please state how many have been killed?

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to the specific exemptions of the act.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request. I look forward to your response within 20 working days, as outlined in statute.

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed the search for the information which you requested.

On questions one and two, I can inform you that we have used the following line in various briefings: 'approximately 800 individuals of national security concern have travelled to take part in the Syria conflict since it began. Of these approximately half have returned.'

This is not the most up to date line on extremist travellers. For more accurate information, we would refer you to the Home Office foirequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk.

We do not hold information on questions three and four; again, we would refer you to the Home Office on this matter.

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Yours sincerely,

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