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The Home Office response to the Independent Chief Inspector's report:

**'An interim re-inspection of Family
Reunion applications received at the
Istanbul Entry Clearance Decision
Making Centre'**

December 2016 – March 2017

The Home Office thanks the Independent Chief Inspector Border Immigration (ICI) team for undertaking an interim re-inspection on Family Reunion applications.

The Home Office is grateful for the acknowledgement that the ICI has noted that a number of improvements have been made in the processing of cases in Istanbul.

The Home Office notes that the ICI has stated that as the re-inspection was limited to Istanbul, and based on a small file sample, that the recommendations from the September 2016 report still remain open.