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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your letter of 02 July 2018 detailing the following request:

"In light of the judgment, orders were made and those 4 claims resolved, leaving 628. Leggatt J observed that his judgment should assist the remaining claims to be resolved (see paragraph 983).

*Of those 628 claims:*

- 1. How many have been settled?*
- 2. How many have been withdrawn?*
- 3. How many have been struck out?*
- 4. How many are proceeding to trial?."*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Following a Case Management Conference before the Court on 26 January 2018 at which the Judge ordered that the claimants' solicitors would provide confirmation as to which of the outstanding claims in the Iraq Civilian Litigation will be taken forward and which discontinued by 27 April 2018, the claimants' solicitors confirmed that there were in fact 627 outstanding claims to be resolved and that of these there were only 10 that would not to be pursued further. It has yet to be confirmed that the procedural steps that would formalise the discontinuance of these 10 claims have been completed and as such we are potentially still looking at 627 outstanding claims in this litigation.

Whilst many issues remain to be resolved between the parties as matters currently stand;

1. None of the 627 outstanding claims have been settled since the December 2017 judgment;
2. None of the 627 outstanding claims have been formally withdrawn;
3. None of the 627 outstanding claims have been struck out, and
4. It has yet to be determined how many of the outstanding claims will proceed to trial, although it had been determined previously by order of the Court that two of the claims would be subject to trial in November 2018 and preparations for that trial are currently ongoing.

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I hope that this is helpful

Yours sincerely

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