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Dear

Thank you for your email of 20 September 2021 requesting the following information:

- 1. How many Afghans were called to Kabul Airport for evacuation under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy but were not evacuated before the August 31 deadline;**
- 2. The number of these aforementioned refugees whom the Ministry of Defence has supported to move to a third country;**
- 3. The number of refugees referenced in question two who have subsequently arrived in the UK.**

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to you.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

The available information can be found below:

***How many Afghans were called to Kabul Airport for evacuation under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy but were not evacuated before the August 31 deadline;***

331

***The number of these aforementioned refugees whom the Ministry of Defence has supported to move to a third country;***

Information not held.

***The number of refugees referenced in question two who have subsequently arrived in the UK.***

Of the 331, 85 have subsequently arrived in the UK.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact us in the first instance at the address above. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent

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Yours sincerely,

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