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SENT BY E-MAIL

Dear Mr Armstrong

Re: Passport applications for people born in the UK to European national parents

I am the Chair of the Project for the Registration of Children as British Citizens (PRCBC). I was present on Thursday, 13 October when it was announced in open court by Counsel for the Secretary of State for the Home Department that a "pause" had been introduced upon the processing of the British passport applications of people born in the UK to European national parents.

At that time, Counsel did not precisely identify when this pause was commenced or whose applications it applied to.

As you are aware, PRCBC has a particular interest in rights to British citizenship; and is, accordingly, concerned as to the impact upon people of any pause on their passport applications. We have sought but have found no further information in the public domain concerning this pause.

In the circumstances, please would you notify us:

- (1) When did this pause commence?
- (2) What are the criteria that identify the passport applications to which the pause applies (or would apply were an application to be made)?
- (3) When and how will this pause be made known to the people to whose passport applications it applies (or would apply were they to make an application)?



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Given the indication given in open court that this pause is already in effect, we would be grateful to receive a response within the next 7 days.

Yours sincerely



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Chair of PRCBC