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August 23, 2023

VIA FAX

U. S. Department of State
Office of Information Programs and Services
2201 C Street N.W., Suite B266
Washington, D.C. 20520-0000
FAX: (202) 485-1669

Re: Freedom of Information Act – Request for *EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING*

Request of F-1 Nonimmigrant Visa Refusal Statistics by Post and Nationality for Fiscal Year 2022, and Fiscal Year 2023 (year-to-date)

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of my client, Shorelight Education, a leading education company focused on providing educational experiences for international students and partnering with U.S. universities as a clearinghouse for information, we are respectfully filing a Freedom of Information Act request seeking public information that is possessed by the State Department, but is not specifically provided to the public in the State Department’s non-immigrant visa statistics.

Specifically, we seek the following information/data:

1. Each year, the State Department publicly releases a document that is titled as: “ADJUSTED REFUSAL RATE - B-VISAS ONLY BY NATIONALITY”
See <https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/visas/Statistics/Non-Immigrant-Statistics/RefusalRates/FY22.pdf>

We seek the exact same statistics, in the exact same format, but for **F-1 student visas**. In other words, the numbers that would be provided would be for F-1 Student Visas instead of for B-visitor visas. We seek these statistics for Fiscal Year 2022, and Fiscal Year 2023 (year-to-date)

2. Alternatively, if the data in Request Number 1 cannot be provided—and a lawful explanation is provided as to why this data cannot be provided—we respectfully ask that the State Department then refer to the annual document it publicly releases titled: “**Worldwide NIV Workload by Visa Category FY 2022.**”
See <https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/visas/Statistics/Non-Immigrant-Statistics/NIVWorkload/FY2022NIVWorkloadbyVisaCategory.pdf>

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We would respectfully ask that the State Department then simply disaggregate the “refused” data contained within this document so that it can provide, and make publicly available, **by post and nationality**, the total number of F-1 student visas that were counted as “refused.”

As you can see in the linked document below, the State Department already disaggregates the number of F-1 student visas “issued” by post and nationality, but does not similarly disaggregate the number of “refused” F-1 student visas by post and nationality.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/visas/Statistics/Non-Immigrant-Statistics/MonthlyNIVIssuances/JUNE%202023%20-%20NIV%20Issuances%20by%20Nationality%20and%20Visa%20Class.pdf>

<https://travel.state.gov/content/dam/visas/Statistics/Non-Immigrant-Statistics/MonthlyNIVIssuances/JUNE%202023%20-%20NIV%20Issuances%20by%20Post%20and%20Visa%20Class.pdf>

We seek these “refusal” statistics for **F-1 student visas** for Fiscal Year 2022, and Fiscal Year 2023 (year-to-date). Again, we simply seek data that disaggregates the numbers already contained and publicly reported in the “refused” column so that those numbers can be understood by post and nationality.

If an example is needed, please see the State Department’s response to the exact same FOIA request made last year. All that is needed are these same numbers for Fiscal Year 2022, and Fiscal Year 2023 (year-to-date)

II. Compelling Need Justifying Expedious Handling

Substantial economic concerns of colleges and universities in the United States are implicated by the failure to process this FOIA request immediately. Universities across the United States require this information quickly so that they may better understand the changing landscape of the international student visa adjudication process and to make extremely important decisions about which international students to invest-in and recruit from around the world. This data is critical to preventing schools from wasting hundreds of millions of dollars in time and resources to recruit students from areas where they are statistically less likely to obtain visas.

III. Payment of Fees

Undersigned counsel consents to, and is prepared to pay, all fees that are necessary to obtain any and all documents responsive to the requests above.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned at (202)469-5129 or by email at leon.fresco@hkllaw.com should there be any questions.

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Sincerely,

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Leon Fresco

Enclosures

**PAST FOIA
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BY THE STATE
DEPARTMENT**



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

November 22, 2022

Case No. F-2022-11858/FL-2023-00008

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Dear Mr. Fresco:

This letter is in response to your request dated August 17, 2022, under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department has located one document responsive to your request. Upon review, we have determined that the record may be released in full.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. To the extent another agency asserts that it can neither confirm nor deny the existence of certain records, the Department of State will similarly take the position that it neither confirms nor denies the existence of those records.

This concludes the processing of your request. If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Jeremy S. Simon, Assistant U.S. Attorney, at jeremy.simon@usdoj.gov. Please refer to the case number, FL-2023-00008, and the civil action number, 22-cv-02878, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

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Jeanne Miller
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
- 1.4(b) Foreign government information
- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
- 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
- 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
CIA PERS/ORG	Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g)
EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

FY2021 & FY2022 F1 Refusal Rates by Nationality

Nationality	FY21 Adjusted Refusal Rate	FY22 Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	64%	65%
Albania	24%	47%
Algeria	35%	60%
Andorra	0%	0%
Angola	44%	53%
Anguilla	50%	0%
Antigua and Barbuda	26%	11%
Argentina	6%	15%
Armenia	35%	62%
Australia	2%	3%
Austria	1%	3%
Azerbaijan	29%	43%
Bahamas, The	3%	4%
Bahrain	14%	26%
Bangladesh	20%	56%
Barbados	3%	7%
Belarus	32%	49%
Belgium	2%	3%
Belize	10%	12%
Benin	47%	70%
Bermuda	0%	0%
Bhutan	11%	23%
Bolivia	15%	19%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	1%	7%
Botswana	14%	11%
Brazil	37%	47%
British Virgin Islands	0%	8%
Brunei	7%	0%
Bulgaria	10%	9%
Burkina Faso	40%	70%
Burma	19%	57%
Burundi	57%	80%
Cabo Verde	30%	39%
Cambodia	36%	21%
Cameroon	72%	79%
Canada	8%	29%
Cayman Islands	3%	1%
Central African Republic	64%	57%
Chad	84%	83%
Chile	12%	15%
China - mainland	5%	10%
China - Taiwan	1%	3%
Colombia	25%	56%

Comoros	100%	25%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	45%	60%
Congo, Republic of the	68%	69%
Costa Rica	4%	6%
Cote d'Ivoire	38%	49%
Croatia	5%	4%
Cuba	66%	69%
Cyprus	3%	3%
Czech Republic	3%	1%
Denmark	0%	2%
Djibouti	90%	90%
Dominica	23%	23%
Dominican Republic	18%	63%
Ecuador	28%	49%
Egypt	25%	45%
El Salvador	20%	32%
Equatorial Guinea	76%	59%
Eritrea	73%	64%
Estonia	13%	12%
Eswatini	3%	0%
Ethiopia	46%	63%
Fiji	14%	32%
Finland	2%	3%
France	3%	2%
Gabon	44%	35%
Gambia, The	73%	74%
Georgia	15%	51%
Germany	1%	1%
Ghana	44%	61%
Gibraltar	0%	0%
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2%	3%
Greece	4%	5%
Grenada	21%	11%
Guatemala	17%	16%
Guinea	70%	85%
Guinea-Bissau	67%	76%
Guyana	20%	25%
Haiti	82%	87%
Honduras	12%	25%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	3%	4%
Hong Kong-BNO	14%	9%
Hungary	3%	8%
Iceland	1%	0%
India	22%	35%
Indonesia	3%	5%
Iran	54%	55%
Iraq	37%	60%

Ireland	4%	4%
Israel	5%	6%
Italy	3%	3%
Jamaica	19%	22%
Japan	1%	1%
Jordan	46%	71%
Kazakhstan	70%	78%
Kenya	62%	75%
Kiribati	0%	0%
Kosovo	12%	35%
Kuwait	7%	11%
Kyrgyzstan	53%	49%
Laos	64%	46%
Latvia	9%	4%
Lebanon	37%	49%
Lesotho	7%	28%
Liberia	73%	88%
Libya	54%	54%
Liechtenstein	0%	0%
Lithuania	6%	5%
Luxembourg	2%	0%
Macau S.A.R.	3%	1%
Madagascar	22%	33%
Malawi	24%	52%
Malaysia	1%	6%
Maldives	30%	40%
Mali	67%	86%
Malta	3%	3%
Mauritania	82%	83%
Mauritius	4%	1%
Mexico	4%	7%
Moldova	47%	50%
Monaco	0%	0%
Mongolia	36%	63%
Montenegro	15%	12%
Montserrat	0%	0%
Morocco	37%	51%
Mozambique	11%	7%
Namibia	5%	11%
Nepal	34%	63%
Netherlands	2%	3%
New Zealand	1%	3%
Nicaragua	18%	26%
Niger	49%	56%
Nigeria	60%	69%
No Nationality*	50%	44%
North Korea	N/A	0%

North Macedonia	9%	14%
Norway	1%	2%
Oman	12%	14%
Pakistan	56%	71%
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	56%	66%
Panama	4%	13%
Papua New Guinea	5%	6%
Paraguay	7%	20%
Peru	19%	45%
Philippines	30%	37%
Poland	5%	9%
Portugal	6%	9%
Qatar	25%	10%
Romania	9%	16%
Russia	25%	36%
Rwanda	58%	73%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	9%	15%
Saint Lucia	21%	22%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	39%	23%
Samoa	0%	17%
San Marino	0%	0%
Sao Tome and Principe	N/A	0%
Saudi Arabia	19%	23%
Senegal	60%	72%
Serbia	6%	7%
Seychelles	20%	0%
Sierra Leone	64%	68%
Singapore	1%	1%
Slovakia	4%	3%
Slovenia	0%	4%
Solomon Islands	0%	0%
Somalia	46%	78%
South Africa	14%	13%
South Korea	4%	6%
South Sudan	45%	49%
Spain	3%	2%
Sri Lanka	35%	30%
Sudan	49%	53%
Suriname	9%	18%
Sweden	2%	3%
Switzerland	1%	1%
Syria	49%	50%
Tajikistan	80%	81%
Tanzania	22%	42%
Thailand	27%	29%
Timor-Leste	25%	0%
Togo	22%	57%

Tonga	0%	70%
Trinidad and Tobago	3%	10%
Tunisia	27%	31%
Turkey	35%	56%
Turkmenistan	51%	56%
Turks and Caicos Islands	0%	8%
Tuvalu	0%	N/A
Uganda	47%	60%
Ukraine	18%	29%
United Arab Emirates	5%	11%
Uruguay	2%	6%
Uzbekistan	52%	64%
Vanuatu	50%	60%
Venezuela	36%	55%
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Only nationalities that have data available during the indicated fiscal year are listed. A listing of 'N/A' means that there were no applications processed for that nationality. A refusal rate of 0% means that all applications were issued.



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 26, 2021

Case No. F-2021-02037
FL-2021-00491

Mr. Leon Fresco
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Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Fresco:

This letter is in response to your requests dated December 17, 2019 and April 8, 2021, under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State has located three responsive records subject to the FOIA. Upon review, we have determined that all three records may be released in full. This concludes the processing of your request.

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If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Assistant United States Attorney Stephanie R. Johnson at 202-252-7874 or Stephanie.Johnson5@usdoj.gov. Please refer to the case number, F-2021-02037/FL-2021-00491, and the civil action number, 21-cv-01490, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

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Jeanne Miller
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FYTD 2021		(through June 30, 2021)
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate	
Afghanistan	60%	
Albania	22%	
Algeria	31%	
Andorra	0%	
Angola	48%	
Antigua and Barbuda	41%	
Argentina	4%	
Armenia	42%	
Australia	3%	
Austria	2%	
Azerbaijan	27%	
Bahamas, The	5%	
Bahrain	17%	
Bangladesh	16%	
Barbados	6%	
Belarus	27%	
Belgium	1%	
Belize	10%	
Benin	45%	
Bermuda	0%	
Bhutan	5%	
Bolivia	13%	
Bosnia-Herzegovina	0%	
Botswana	19%	
Brazil	20%	
British Virgin Islands	0%	
Brunei	17%	
Bulgaria	12%	
Burkina Faso	25%	
Burma	9%	
Burundi	40%	
Cabo Verde	38%	
Cambodia	33%	
Cameroon	70%	
Canada	8%	
Cayman Islands	15%	
Central African Republic	50%	
Chad	85%	
Chile	13%	
China - mainland	16%	
China - Taiwan	9%	
Colombia	13%	

Congo, Democratic Republic of the	51%
Congo, Republic of the	64%
Costa Rica	7%
Cote d'Ivoire	39%
Croatia	8%
Cuba	77%
Cyprus	8%
Czech Republic	4%
Denmark	2%
Djibouti	81%
Dominica	21%
Dominican Republic	20%
Ecuador	27%
Egypt	32%
El Salvador	19%
Equatorial Guinea	78%
Eritrea	73%
Estonia	12%
Eswatini	0%
Ethiopia	37%
Fiji	38%
Finland	5%
France	5%
Gabon	25%
Georgia	19%
Germany	2%
Ghana	40%
Gibraltar	0%
Greece	6%
Grenada	30%
Guatemala	16%
Guinea	55%
Guinea-Bissau	60%
Guyana	17%
Haiti	83%
Honduras	10%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	4%
Hong Kong-BNO	21%
Hungary	22%
Iceland	0%
India	28%
Indonesia	3%
Iran	60%
Iraq	29%
Ireland	9%
Israel	4%
Italy	4%

Jamaica	24%
Japan	1%
Jordan	35%
Kazakhstan	70%
Kenya	63%
Kiribati	100%
Kosovo	13%
Kuwait	5%
Kyrgyzstan	50%
Laos	67%
Latvia	15%
Lebanon	31%
Lesotho	9%
Liberia	81%
Libya	58%
Liechtenstein	0%
Lithuania	6%
Luxembourg	0%
Macau S.A.R.	5%
Madagascar	25%
Malawi	27%
Malaysia	3%
Maldives	0%
Mali	52%
Malta	0%
Mauritania	82%
Mauritius	3%
Mexico	4%
Moldova	48%
Monaco	0%
Mongolia	30%
Montenegro	20%
Montserrat	0%
Morocco	44%
Mozambique	14%
Namibia	7%
Nepal	26%
Netherlands	4%
New Zealand	1%
Nicaragua	16%
Niger	46%
Nigeria	57%
No Nationality	60%
North Macedonia	9%
Norway	2%
Oman	11%
Pakistan	50%

Palestinian Authority Travel Document	54%
Panama	5%
Papua New Guinea	10%
Paraguay	5%
Peru	13%
Philippines	30%
Poland	6%
Portugal	7%
Qatar	28%
Romania	9%
Russia	25%
Rwanda	59%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	16%
Saint Lucia	17%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	40%
Samoa	0%
San Marino	0%
Saudi Arabia	19%
Senegal	55%
Serbia	8%
Seychelles	25%
Sierra Leone	65%
Singapore	5%
Slovakia	8%
Slovenia	0%
Somalia	46%
South Africa	16%
South Korea	4%
South Sudan	48%
Spain	4%
Sri Lanka	40%
Sudan	48%
Suriname	11%
Sweden	3%
Switzerland	3%
Syria	52%
Tajikistan	79%
Tanzania	21%
Thailand	22%
The Gambia	65%
Timor-Leste	0%
Togo	4%
Trinidad and Tobago	5%
Tunisia	31%
Turkey	25%
Turkmenistan	62%
Turks and Caicos Islands	0%

Uganda	43%
Ukraine	18%
United Arab Emirates	8%
United Kingdom	3%
Uruguay	2%
Uzbekistan	51%
Vanuatu	100%
Venezuela	27%
Vietnam	24%
Yemen	80%
Zambia	27%
Zimbabwe	14%

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Only nationalities that have data available during the indicated fiscal year are listed.

F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2019

Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	76%
Albania	32%
Algeria	72%
Andorra	0%
Angola	31%
Anguilla	0%
Antigua and Barbuda	9%
Argentina	4%
Armenia	52%
Australia	2%
Austria	2%
Azerbaijan	30%
Bahamas, The	8%
Bahrain	14%
Bangladesh	38%
Barbados	1%
Belarus	12%
Belgium	4%
Belize	16%
Benin	78%
Bermuda	0%
Bhutan	45%
Bolivia	14%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	12%
Botswana	25%
Brazil	20%
British Virgin Islands	8%
Brunei	0%
Bulgaria	5%
Burkina Faso	59%
Burma	13%
Burundi	59%
Cabo Verde	24%
Cambodia	32%
Cameroon	84%
Canada	8%
Cayman Islands	9%
Central African Republic	88%
Chad	89%
Chile	2%
China - mainland	11%
China - Taiwan	2%
Colombia	25%

Comoros	80%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	70%
Congo, Republic of the	84%
Costa Rica	6%
Cote d'Ivoire	53%
Croatia	5%
Cuba	53%
Cyprus	2%
Czech Republic	8%
Denmark	1%
Djibouti	95%
Dominica	10%
Dominican Republic	42%
Ecuador	21%
Egypt	38%
El Salvador	20%
Equatorial Guinea	47%
Eritrea	80%
Estonia	3%
Eswatini	4%
Ethiopia	50%
Fiji	46%
Finland	0%
France	6%
Gabon	58%
Georgia	34%
Germany	1%
Ghana	62%
Gibraltar	0%
Greece	8%
Grenada	28%
Guatemala	25%
Guinea	93%
Guinea-Bissau	74%
Guyana	11%
Haiti	63%
Honduras	25%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	7%
Hong Kong-BNO	8%
Hungary	2%
Iceland	0%
India	37%
Indonesia	11%
Iran	50%
Iraq	66%
Ireland	12%
Israel	9%

Italy	6%
Jamaica	32%
Japan	2%
Jordan	70%
Kazakhstan	52%
Kenya	51%
Kiribati	0%
Kosovo	22%
Kuwait	6%
Kyrgyzstan	47%
Laos	53%
Latvia	11%
Lebanon	17%
Lesotho	7%
Liberia	78%
Libya	67%
Liechtenstein	0%
Lithuania	7%
Luxembourg	0%
Macau S.A.R.	6%
Madagascar	17%
Malawi	60%
Malaysia	2%
Maldives	30%
Mali	80%
Malta	0%
Mauritania	87%
Mauritius	4%
Mexico	7%
Moldova	28%
Monaco	0%
Mongolia	60%
Montenegro	7%
Morocco	52%
Mozambique	6%
Namibia	7%
Nepal	77%
Netherlands	3%
New Zealand	1%
Nicaragua	23%
Niger	52%
Nigeria	77%
No Nationality*	33%
North Macedonia	20%
Norway	2%
Oman	5%
Pakistan	57%

Palestinian Authority Travel Document	61%
Panama	7%
Papua New Guinea	8%
Paraguay	9%
Peru	21%
Philippines	40%
Poland	9%
Portugal	5%
Qatar	13%
Romania	6%
Russia	15%
Rwanda	48%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	24%
Saint Lucia	7%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2%
Samoa	14%
San Marino	0%
Saudi Arabia	13%
Senegal	64%
Serbia	13%
Seychelles	0%
Sierra Leone	65%
Singapore	2%
Slovakia	3%
Slovenia	1%
Solomon Islands	0%
Somalia	66%
South Africa	15%
South Korea	4%
South Sudan	46%
Spain	5%
Sri Lanka	55%
Sudan	48%
Suriname	0%
Sweden	2%
Switzerland	1%
Syria	70%
Tajikistan	61%
Tanzania	42%
Thailand	43%
The Gambia	81%
Timor-Leste	0%
Togo	73%
Tonga	32%
Trinidad and Tobago	5%
Tunisia	31%
Turkey	42%

Turkmenistan	70%
Turks and Caicos Islands	29%
Uganda	54%
Ukraine	39%
United Arab Emirates	6%
United Kingdom	4%
Uruguay	2%
Uzbekistan	73%
Vanuatu	0%
Venezuela	39%
Vietnam	36%
Yemen	69%
Zambia	28%
Zimbabwe	25%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2020

Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	81%
Albania	48%
Algeria	76%
Andorra	14%
Angola	41%
Anguilla	0%
Antigua and Barbuda	10%
Argentina	2%
Armenia	58%
Australia	5%
Austria	4%
Azerbaijan	38%
Bahamas, The	12%
Bahrain	17%
Bangladesh	41%
Barbados	5%
Belarus	22%
Belgium	4%
Belize	10%
Benin	58%
Bermuda	0%
Bhutan	60%
Bolivia	10%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6%
Botswana	19%
Brazil	30%
British Virgin Islands	13%
Brunei	14%
Bulgaria	9%
Burkina Faso	75%
Burma	22%
Burundi	82%
Cabo Verde	35%
Cambodia	36%
Cameroon	83%
Canada	6%
Cayman Islands	5%
Central African Republic	93%
Chad	94%
Chile	9%
China - mainland	20%
China - Taiwan	7%
Colombia	29%

Comoros	100%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	74%
Congo, Republic of the	77%
Costa Rica	13%
Cote d'Ivoire	48%
Croatia	3%
Cuba	70%
Cyprus	2%
Czech Republic	9%
Denmark	2%
Djibouti	100%
Dominica	17%
Dominican Republic	42%
Ecuador	28%
Egypt	52%
El Salvador	26%
Equatorial Guinea	47%
Eritrea	84%
Estonia	3%
Eswatini	4%
Ethiopia	51%
Fiji	38%
Finland	1%
France	12%
Gabon	66%
Georgia	32%
Germany	2%
Ghana	75%
Greece	7%
Grenada	13%
Guatemala	28%
Guinea	88%
Guinea-Bissau	67%
Guyana	5%
Haiti	60%
Honduras	19%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	9%
Hong Kong-BNO	22%
Hungary	8%
Iceland	0%
India	44%
Indonesia	15%
Iran	62%
Iraq	58%
Ireland	12%
Israel	13%
Italy	10%

Jamaica	30%
Japan	2%
Jordan	65%
Kazakhstan	68%
Kenya	54%
Kiribati	0%
Kosovo	13%
Kuwait	14%
Kyrgyzstan	71%
Laos	67%
Latvia	11%
Lebanon	26%
Lesotho	33%
Liberia	80%
Libya	68%
Liechtenstein	0%
Lithuania	6%
Luxembourg	4%
Macau S.A.R.	5%
Madagascar	28%
Malawi	78%
Malaysia	9%
Maldives	0%
Mali	84%
Malta	25%
Mauritania	79%
Mauritius	0%
Mexico	6%
Moldova	39%
Monaco	0%
Mongolia	60%
Montenegro	21%
Morocco	53%
Mozambique	20%
Namibia	7%
Nepal	78%
Netherlands	2%
New Zealand	3%
Nicaragua	15%
Niger	65%
Nigeria	77%
No Nationality*	53%
North Korea	100%
North Macedonia	18%
Norway	3%
Oman	6%
Pakistan	54%

Palestinian Authority Travel Document	69%
Panama	7%
Papua New Guinea	10%
Paraguay	3%
Peru	22%
Philippines	49%
Poland	7%
Portugal	4%
Qatar	16%
Romania	7%
Russia	26%
Rwanda	64%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	36%
Saint Lucia	13%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	57%
Samoa	0%
San Marino	0%
Saudi Arabia	31%
Senegal	74%
Serbia	6%
Sierra Leone	67%
Singapore	10%
Slovakia	3%
Slovenia	2%
Somalia	91%
South Africa	13%
South Korea	4%
South Sudan	63%
Spain	5%
Sri Lanka	57%
Sudan	50%
Suriname	8%
Sweden	3%
Switzerland	3%
Syria	63%
Tajikistan	69%
Tanzania	54%
Thailand	47%
The Gambia	79%
Timor-Leste	0%
Togo	80%
Tonga	67%
Trinidad and Tobago	5%
Tunisia	29%
Turkey	44%
Turkmenistan	67%
Turks and Caicos Islands	0%

Uganda	62%
Ukraine	25%
United Arab Emirates	11%
United Kingdom	5%
Uruguay	6%
Uzbekistan	79%
Vanuatu	0%
Venezuela	38%
Vietnam	32%
Yemen	84%
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

April 8, 2019

Case No. F-2018-06587

Mr. Leon Fresco
Holland & Knight LLP
800 17th NW Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Fresco:

In response to your request dated August 28, 2018, under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, the Department has located four documents responsive to your request. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that all four may be released in full. All released material is enclosed.

Note that this material is responsive to the second option of the request because the first option would require the manual creation of a record, which is outside the scope of the FOIA. Instead, the data provided is from a similar report pulled from a Department database.

If you have any questions, you may contact Assistant United States Attorney, Paul Cirino, at (202) 252-2529 or Paul.Cirino@usdoj.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number, F-2018-06587, and the civil action number, 19-cv-00282, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan C. Weetman for".

Susan C. Weetman
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

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EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

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 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
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 - (E) disclose investigation techniques
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- NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2018	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	75.6%
Albania	32.7%
Algeria	64.3%
Andorra	0.0%
Angola	19.6%
Anguilla	0.0%
Antigua and Barbuda	4.7%
Argentina	3.3%
Armenia	45.5%
Australia	1.6%
Austria	1.8%
Azerbaijan	33.2%
Bahamas, The	20.6%
Bahrain	5.1%
Bangladesh	33.6%
Barbados	2.6%
Belarus	11.5%
Belgium	0.4%
Belize	12.0%
Benin	80.3%
Bermuda	12.5%
Bhutan	54.9%
Bolivia	14.1%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	8.2%
Botswana	7.9%
Brazil	14.5%
British Virgin Islands	0.0%
Brunei	0.0%
Bulgaria	8.9%
Burkina Faso	73.3%
Burma	5.8%
Burundi	59.5%
Cabo Verde	43.9%
Cambodia	28.3%
Cameroon	85.2%
Canada	6.6%
Cayman Islands	4.1%
Central African Republic	70.0%
Chad	80.5%
Chile	2.4%
China - mainland	13.5%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2018	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
China - Taiwan	5.5%
Colombia	19.7%
Comoros	33.3%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	69.0%
Congo, Republic of the	75.1%
Costa Rica	2.3%
Cote D'Ivoire	54.4%
Croatia	2.6%
Cuba	38.2%
Cyprus	1.1%
Czech Republic	3.5%
Denmark	0.4%
Djibouti	82.1%
Dominica	9.0%
Dominican Republic	28.2%
Ecuador	15.2%
Egypt	37.2%
El Salvador	15.2%
Equatorial Guinea	27.9%
Eritrea	76.2%
Estonia	9.2%
Eswatini	2.2%
Ethiopia	49.2%
Fiji	23.3%
Finland	1.6%
France	3.3%
Gabon	56.7%
Gambia, The	81.9%
Georgia	29.1%
Germany	1.3%
Ghana	47.9%
Gibraltar	0.0%
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	3.8%
Greece	8.0%
Grenada	4.9%
Guatemala	16.8%
Guinea	86.9%
Guinea - Bissau	0.0%
Guyana	10.3%
Haiti	52.5%
Honduras	19.2%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2018	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
British National (Hong Kong) Overseas Passport	3.3%
Hong Kong S. A. R.	7.7%
Hungary	2.3%
Iceland	2.7%
India	35.3%
Indonesia	11.7%
Iran	49.5%
Iraq	67.7%
Ireland	8.3%
Israel	6.7%
Italy	7.0%
Jamaica	18.5%
Japan	2.2%
Jordan	65.4%
Kazakhstan	44.0%
Kenya	43.1%
Kiribati	25.0%
Korea, South	4.1%
Kosovo	25.0%
Kuwait	1.9%
Kyrgyzstan	42.7%
Laos	41.8%
Latvia	8.2%
Lebanon	12.6%
Lesotho	17.4%
Liberia	62.4%
Libya	57.1%
Liechtenstein	0.0%
Lithuania	5.9%
Luxembourg	3.2%
Macau	6.8%
Macedonia	19.4%
Madagascar	14.6%
Malawi	40.5%
Malaysia	3.0%
Maldives	44.4%
Mali	82.2%
Malta	0.0%
Mauritania	72.6%
Mauritius	1.1%
Mexico	6.2%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2018	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Moldova	30.8%
Monaco	0.0%
Mongolia	66.1%
Montenegro	5.9%
Montserrat	0.0%
Morocco	54.5%
Mozambique	6.0%
Namibia	2.1%
Nepal	79.2%
Netherlands	2.9%
New Zealand	3.1%
Nicaragua	10.6%
Niger	53.1%
Nigeria	76.9%
*Non-Nationality Based Issuances	34.4%
Norway	0.4%
Oman	2.9%
Pakistan	56.5%
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	62.1%
Panama	2.7%
Papua New Guinea	8.5%
Paraguay	2.8%
Peru	24.3%
Philippines	37.4%
Poland	9.1%
Portugal	4.6%
Qatar	10.5%
Romania	6.6%
Russia	14.2%
Rwanda	33.6%
Samoa	0.0%
San Marino	0.0%
Sao Tome and Principe	0.0%
Saudi Arabia	12.2%
Senegal	67.4%
Serbia	14.2%
Seychelles	0.0%
Sierra Leone	71.4%
Singapore	1.3%
Slovakia	2.1%
Slovenia	3.3%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2018	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Solomon Islands	-33.3%
Somalia	37.2%
South Africa	13.3%
South Sudan	28.1%
Spain	3.4%
Sri Lanka	52.2%
St Lucia	3.1%
St. Kitts and Nevis	18.8%
St. Vincent and The Grenadines	23.5%
Sudan	56.0%
Suriname	0.0%
Sweden	4.6%
Switzerland	-0.1%
Syria	74.5%
Tajikistan	55.3%
Tanzania	21.5%
Thailand	40.3%
Timor-Leste	0.0%
Togo	76.3%
Tonga	64.3%
Trinidad and Tobago	15.2%
Tunisia	30.2%
Turkey	42.5%
Turkmenistan	66.5%
Turks and Caicos Islands	36.8%
Uganda	56.6%
Ukraine	43.5%
United Arab Emirates	3.0%
Uruguay	5.1%
Uzbekistan	72.1%
Vanuatu	33.3%
Venezuela	39.1%
Vietnam	43.7%
Yemen	78.6%
Zambia	24.4%
Zimbabwe	31.7%
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Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	75.2%
Albania	44.5%
Algeria	63.6%
Andorra	0.0%
Angola	16.6%
Antigua and Barbuda	15.3%
Argentina	3.6%
Armenia	44.3%
Australia	1.5%
Austria	1.8%
Azerbaijan	37.0%
Bahamas, The	11.2%
Bahrain	9.5%
Bangladesh	53.7%
Barbados	8.3%
Belarus	14.6%
Belgium	1.1%
Belize	8.5%
Benin	76.9%
Bermuda	0.0%
Bhutan	43.8%
Bolivia	11.1%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	4.4%
Botswana	12.5%
Brazil	14.7%
British Virgin Islands	8.7%
Brunei	0.0%
Bulgaria	11.1%
Burkina Faso	79.4%
Burma	6.6%
Burundi	60.2%
Cabo Verde	40.0%
Cambodia	36.5%
Cameroon	75.0%
Canada	9.9%
Cayman Islands	3.1%
Central African Republic	72.5%
Chad	76.8%
Chile	2.7%
China - mainland	13.5%
China - Taiwan	5.2%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Colombia	11.8%
Comoros	50.0%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	72.5%
Congo, Republic of the	70.8%
Costa Rica	1.6%
Cote D'Ivoire	54.2%
Croatia	1.8%
Cuba	57.9%
Cyprus	0.0%
Czech Republic	1.4%
Denmark	0.3%
Djibouti	81.0%
Dominica	12.9%
Dominican Republic	26.8%
Ecuador	14.6%
Egypt	38.5%
El Salvador	8.6%
Equatorial Guinea	9.6%
Eritrea	81.7%
Estonia	14.3%
Eswatini	3.2%
Ethiopia	59.4%
Fiji	8.7%
Finland	0.9%
France	2.1%
Gabon	42.7%
Gambia, The	90.7%
Georgia	20.9%
Germany	1.2%
Ghana	62.8%
Gibraltar	0.0%
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4.4%
Greece	5.1%
Grenada	26.2%
Guatemala	11.6%
Guinea	88.3%
Guinea - Bissau	68.8%
Guyana	11.3%
Haiti	64.0%
Honduras	7.2%
British National (Hong Kong) Overseas Passport	2.6%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Hong Kong S. A. R.	4.4%
Hungary	3.4%
Iceland	0.4%
India	42.6%
Indonesia	10.4%
Iran	45.1%
Iraq	75.1%
Ireland	3.3%
Israel	3.9%
Italy	6.8%
Jamaica	13.5%
Japan	1.9%
Jordan	63.0%
Kazakhstan	32.1%
Kenya	41.3%
Kiribati	20.0%
Korea, South	6.6%
Kosovo	38.4%
Kuwait	10.5%
Kyrgyzstan	61.2%
Laos	29.2%
Latvia	6.7%
Lebanon	28.4%
Lesotho	15.4%
Liberia	57.7%
Libya	64.5%
Liechtenstein	0.0%
Lithuania	13.0%
Luxembourg	1.7%
Macau	9.4%
Macedonia	20.0%
Madagascar	28.3%
Malawi	31.3%
Malaysia	2.2%
Maldives	42.9%
Mali	83.9%
Malta	0.0%
Mauritania	78.6%
Mauritius	3.5%
Mexico	5.3%
Moldova	34.5%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Monaco	11.1%
Mongolia	70.7%
Montenegro	8.5%
Morocco	56.9%
Mozambique	7.0%
Namibia	7.8%
Nepal	77.2%
Netherlands	3.0%
New Zealand	1.4%
Nicaragua	14.4%
Niger	55.4%
Nigeria	63.6%
*Non-Nationality Based Issuances	38.1%
Norway	1.0%
Oman	3.4%
Pakistan	59.0%
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	65.6%
Panama	0.7%
Papua New Guinea	12.2%
Paraguay	1.3%
Peru	21.7%
Philippines	29.9%
Poland	6.1%
Portugal	4.5%
Qatar	7.5%
Republic of The Marshall Islands	0.0%
Romania	11.1%
Russia	11.1%
Rwanda	38.2%
Samoa	14.3%
San Marino	20.0%
Sao Tome and Principe	0.0%
Saudi Arabia	8.3%
Senegal	67.2%
Serbia	10.2%
Serbia and Montenegro	100.0%
Seychelles	0.0%
Sierra Leone	57.4%
Singapore	1.3%
Slovakia	6.9%
Slovenia	0.7%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Solomon Islands	50.0%
Somalia	64.4%
South Africa	8.4%
South Sudan	43.7%
Spain	3.9%
Sri Lanka	30.9%
St Lucia	10.6%
St. Kitts and Nevis	15.2%
St. Vincent and The Grenadines	6.7%
Sudan	56.3%
Suriname	4.3%
Sweden	4.6%
Switzerland	1.3%
Syria	63.9%
Tajikistan	62.4%
Tanzania	21.3%
Thailand	28.0%
Timor-Leste	0.0%
Togo	76.1%
Tonga	56.7%
Trinidad and Tobago	11.4%
Tunisia	24.3%
Turkey	35.2%
Turkmenistan	58.9%
Turks and Caicos Islands	14.3%
Uganda	39.1%
Ukraine	35.8%
United Arab Emirates	4.1%
Uruguay	3.6%
Uzbekistan	53.4%
Vanuatu	0.0%
Venezuela	35.7%
Vietnam	50.2%
Yemen	65.7%
Zambia	30.5%
Zimbabwe	27.5%
*"Non-nationality based issuances" includes individuals presenting travel documents issued by a competent authority other than their country of nationality, including, for example, aliens traveling on a Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations and refugees residing in another country.	

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2017	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
<p>The Adjusted Refusal Rate is calculated as follows: (Refusals minus Waived/Overcome) divided by (Total Applicants minus Waived/Overcome). When there are more Waived/Overcome than refusals (for example, when refusals from a prior fiscal year are waived/overcome), the result is a negative adjusted refusal rate.</p>	
<p>Only nationalities that have data available during the indicated fiscal year are listed.</p>	

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2016	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	70.1%
Albania	45.8%
Algeria	49.3%
Andorra	0.0%
Angola	19.2%
Anguilla	0.0%
Antigua & Barbuda	9.3%
Argentina	2.3%
Armenia	53.7%
Australia	1.0%
Austria	1.3%
Azerbaijan	17.8%
Bahamas, The	11.7%
Bahrain	7.4%
Bangladesh	65.3%
Barbados	1.8%
Belarus	13.5%
Belgium	0.8%
Belize	9.1%
Benin	72.0%
Bermuda	21.3%
Bhutan	59.0%
Bolivia	12.0%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	9.2%
Botswana	5.7%
Brazil	14.1%
British Virgin Islands	5.7%
Brunei	0.0%
Bulgaria	13.5%
Burkina Faso	63.4%
Burma	9.2%
Burundi	67.9%
Cabo Verde	19.0%
Cambodia	32.8%
Cameroon	59.4%
Canada	6.4%
Cayman Islands	4.7%
Central African Republic	66.7%
Chad	63.9%
Chile	1.1%
China - mainland	11.7%
China - Taiwan	2.4%
Colombia	9.7%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2016	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Comoros	100.0%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	66.7%
Congo, Republic of the	71.1%
Costa Rica	2.2%
Cote D'Ivoire	54.7%
Croatia	10.6%
Cuba	31.2%
Cyprus	1.6%
Czech Republic	2.8%
Denmark	0.4%
Djibouti	75.0%
Dominica	7.0%
Dominican Republic	21.1%
Ecuador	10.5%
Egypt	37.6%
El Salvador	17.4%
Equatorial Guinea	4.9%
Eritrea	70.3%
Estonia	25.7%
Eswatini	3.8%
Ethiopia	40.8%
Fiji	14.8%
Finland	0.0%
France	2.1%
Gabon	30.1%
Gambia, The	87.2%
Georgia	29.9%
Germany	1.7%
Ghana	70.2%
Gibraltar	50.0%
Great Britain & Northern Ireland	3.7%
Greece	7.3%
Grenada	14.7%
Guatemala	17.7%
Guinea	81.7%
Guinea-Bissau	55.6%
Guyana	8.6%
Haiti	60.3%
Honduras	8.2%
British National (Hong Kong) Overseas Passport	3.8%
Hong Kong S A R	5.8%
Hungary	9.1%
Iceland	0.0%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2016	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
India	49.5%
Indonesia	6.5%
Iran	51.1%
Iraq	68.5%
Ireland	1.6%
Israel	3.4%
Italy	5.3%
Jamaica	4.9%
Japan	2.7%
Jordan	63.8%
Kazakhstan	27.4%
Kenya	41.0%
Kiribati	0.0%
Korea, South	8.0%
Kosovo	37.4%
Kuwait	7.2%
Kyrgyzstan	60.2%
Laos	29.8%
Latvia	9.0%
Lebanon	29.1%
Lesotho	7.7%
Liberia	66.5%
Libya	71.8%
Liechtenstein	0.0%
Lithuania	9.8%
Luxembourg	1.4%
Macau	9.6%
Macedonia	25.6%
Madagascar	13.5%
Malawi	6.8%
Malaysia	2.0%
Maldives	40.0%
Mali	79.5%
Malta	11.1%
Mauritania	84.3%
Mauritius	0.0%
Mexico	3.9%
Moldova	32.6%
Monaco	0.0%
Mongolia	63.4%
Montenegro	11.1%
Montserrat	0.0%
Morocco	52.8%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2016	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Mozambique	9.1%
Namibia	3.9%
Nepal	70.7%
Netherlands	3.2%
New Zealand	0.8%
Nicaragua	11.5%
Niger	27.4%
Nigeria	57.0%
*Non-Nationality Based Issuances	39.5%
Norway	2.7%
Oman	0.7%
Pakistan	57.0%
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	59.3%
Panama	1.8%
Papua New Guinea	8.5%
Paraguay	3.7%
Peru	18.8%
Philippines	27.1%
Poland	5.6%
Portugal	2.9%
Qatar	2.8%
Republic of The Marshall Islands	33.3%
Romania	8.2%
Russia	8.0%
Rwanda	39.3%
Samoa	0.0%
San Marino	50.0%
Sao Tome and Principe	0.0%
Saudi Arabia	5.7%
Senegal	64.3%
Serbia	7.0%
Seychelles	0.0%
Sierra Leone	54.3%
Singapore	1.9%
Slovakia	1.6%
Slovenia	0.8%
Solomon Islands	0.0%
Somalia	51.9%
South Africa	9.2%
South Sudan	26.9%
Spain	2.4%
Sri Lanka	33.1%
St Lucia	12.2%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2016	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
St. Kitts and Nevis	25.3%
St. Vincent and The Grenadines	16.3%
Sudan	37.7%
Suriname	0.0%
Sweden	3.3%
Switzerland	0.4%
Syria	64.6%
Tajikistan	60.3%
Tanzania	35.8%
Thailand	24.4%
Timor-Leste	0.0%
Togo	53.3%
Tonga	20.0%
Trinidad and Tobago	10.9%
Tunisia	28.4%
Turkey	30.0%
Turkmenistan	52.3%
Turks and Caicos Islands	36.0%
Uganda	30.6%
Ukraine	45.9%
United Arab Emirates	2.7%
Uruguay	2.4%
Uzbekistan	61.3%
Vanuatu	66.7%
Venezuela	17.1%
Vietnam	59.7%
Yemen	63.7%
Zambia	37.6%
Zimbabwe	28.6%
<p>*"Non-nationality based issuances" includes individuals presenting travel documents issued by a competent authority other than their country of nationality, including, for example, aliens traveling on a Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations and refugees residing in another country.</p>	
<p>The Adjusted Refusal Rate is calculated as follows: (Refusals minus Waived/Overcome) divided by (Total Applicants minus Waived/Overcome). When there are more Waived/Overcome than refusals (for example, when refusals from a prior fiscal year are waived/overcome), the result is a negative adjusted refusal rate.</p>	
<p>Only nationalities that have data available during the indicated fiscal year are listed.</p>	

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2015	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	59.2%
Albania	38.7%
Algeria	41.5%
Andorra	0.0%
Angola	16.0%
Anguilla	0.0%
Antigua & Barbuda	20.2%
Argentina	2.4%
Armenia	42.9%
Australia	1.3%
Austria	1.7%
Azerbaijan	36.4%
Bahamas, The	14.0%
Bahrain	5.4%
Bangladesh	63.8%
Barbados	3.6%
Belarus	12.2%
Belgium	1.2%
Belize	7.8%
Benin	50.8%
Bermuda	8.3%
Bhutan	43.9%
Bolivia	6.3%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	4.5%
Botswana	10.5%
Brazil	7.4%
British Virgin Islands	8.2%
Brunei	4.3%
Bulgaria	17.1%
Burkina Faso	48.9%
Burma	14.7%
Burundi	63.6%
Cabo Verde	1.7%
Cambodia	47.7%
Cameroon	60.8%
Canada	6.9%
Cayman Islands	0.0%
Central African Republic	63.6%
Chad	74.3%
Chile	0.8%
China - mainland	7.4%
China - Taiwan	5.0%
Colombia	6.7%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2015	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Comoros	100.0%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	66.3%
Congo, Republic of the	68.6%
Costa Rica	2.5%
Cote D'Ivoire	49.3%
Croatia	3.1%
Cuba	51.0%
Cyprus	0.5%
Czech Republic	1.1%
Denmark	0.8%
Djibouti	69.2%
Dominica	4.4%
Dominican Republic	15.3%
Ecuador	7.8%
Egypt	36.8%
El Salvador	11.8%
Equatorial Guinea	28.2%
Eritrea	70.1%
Estonia	14.3%
Eswatini	4.5%
Ethiopia	49.6%
Fiji	5.9%
Finland	0.8%
France	2.7%
Gabon	16.8%
Gambia, The	88.1%
Georgia	35.6%
Germany	1.4%
Ghana	68.1%
Gibraltar	0.0%
Great Britain & Northern Ireland	2.0%
Greece	9.7%
Grenada	13.6%
Guatemala	14.1%
Guinea	73.7%
Guinea-Bissau	81.3%
Guyana	23.8%
Haiti	49.5%
Honduras	6.0%
British National (Hong Kong) Overseas Passport	7.9%
Hong Kong S A R	3.2%
Hungary	18.9%
Iceland	0.0%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2015	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
India	34.2%
Indonesia	5.5%
Iran	36.9%
Iraq	58.1%
Ireland	1.2%
Israel	4.7%
Italy	9.5%
Jamaica	9.4%
Japan	1.4%
Jordan	51.3%
Kazakhstan	19.6%
Kenya	39.7%
Kiribati	0.0%
Korea, North	50.0%
Korea, South	10.7%
Kosovo	40.4%
Kuwait	1.3%
Kyrgyzstan	61.5%
Laos	37.6%
Latvia	10.6%
Lebanon	23.2%
Lesotho	15.0%
Liberia	56.4%
Libya	56.0%
Liechtenstein	0.0%
Lithuania	13.1%
Luxembourg	1.4%
Macau	6.3%
Macedonia	27.9%
Madagascar	15.2%
Malawi	9.3%
Malaysia	2.0%
Maldives	27.3%
Mali	69.4%
Malta	0.0%
Mauritania	75.7%
Mauritius	0.0%
Mexico	3.0%
Moldova	43.6%
Monaco	0.0%
Mongolia	53.6%
Montenegro	7.1%
Montserrat	0.0%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2015	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Morocco	47.3%
Mozambique	7.7%
Namibia	5.4%
Nepal	58.1%
Netherlands	2.7%
New Zealand	1.1%
Nicaragua	13.0%
Niger	36.6%
Nigeria	53.0%
*Non-Nationality Based Issuances	34.8%
Norway	1.5%
Oman	1.3%
Pakistan	48.0%
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	62.6%
Panama	2.5%
Papua New Guinea	7.6%
Paraguay	4.1%
Peru	9.1%
Philippines	27.5%
Poland	7.3%
Portugal	0.9%
Qatar	3.0%
Republic of The Marshall Islands	33.3%
Romania	14.2%
Russia	8.8%
Rwanda	42.7%
Samoa	0.0%
San Marino	0.0%
Saudi Arabia	5.7%
Senegal	69.5%
Serbia	7.7%
Serbia and Montenegro	0.0%
Seychelles	0.0%
Sierra Leone	59.4%
Singapore	0.8%
Slovakia	5.2%
Slovenia	0.7%
Solomon Islands	0.0%
Somalia	62.9%
South Africa	7.8%
South Sudan	35.9%
Spain	0.9%
Sri Lanka	26.5%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2015	
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
St Lucia	19.7%
St. Kitts and Nevis	13.8%
St. Vincent and The Grenadines	6.3%
Sudan	45.6%
Suriname	2.5%
Sweden	2.6%
Switzerland	0.9%
Syria	75.5%
Tajikistan	68.3%
Tanzania	17.3%
Thailand	20.0%
Timor-Leste	10.0%
Togo	54.3%
Tonga	53.6%
Trinidad and Tobago	10.0%
Tunisia	25.8%
Turkey	26.6%
Turkmenistan	41.6%
Turks and Caicos Islands	20.0%
Tuvalu	0.0%
Uganda	24.5%
Ukraine	39.1%
United Arab Emirates	5.8%
Uruguay	1.0%
Uzbekistan	51.4%
Vanuatu	0.0%
Venezuela	13.2%
Vietnam	50.1%
Yemen	56.1%
Zambia	33.1%
Zimbabwe	30.3%
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

July 26, 2021

Case No. F-2021-02037
FL-2021-00491

Mr. Leon Fresco
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Dear Mr. Fresco:

This letter is in response to your requests dated December 17, 2019 and April 8, 2021, under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The Department of State has located three responsive records subject to the FOIA. Upon review, we have determined that all three records may be released in full. This concludes the processing of your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist. To the extent another agency asserts that it can neither confirm nor deny the existence of certain records, the Department of State will similarly take the position that it neither confirms nor denies the existence of those records.

If you have any questions, your attorney may contact Assistant United States Attorney Stephanie R. Johnson at 202-252-7874 or Stephanie.Johnson5@usdoj.gov. Please refer to the case number, F-2021-02037/FL-2021-00491, and the civil action number, 21-cv-01490, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeanne Miller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeanne Miller
Chief, Programs and Policies Division
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552)

FOIA Exemptions

- (b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:
- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
 - 1.4(b) Foreign government information
 - 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
 - 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
 - 1.4(e) Scientific, technological, or economic matters relating to national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
 - 1.4(g) Vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installations, infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to US national security, including defense against transnational terrorism
 - 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction
- (b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency
- (b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:
- | | |
|----------------|---|
| ARMSEXP | Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c) |
| CIA PERS/ORG | Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 USC 403(g) |
| EXPORT CONTROL | Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c) |
| FS ACT | Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004 |
| INA | Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f) |
| IRAN | Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505 |
- (b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information
- (b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product
- (b)(6) Personal privacy information
- (b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:
- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
 - (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
 - (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
 - (D) disclose confidential sources
 - (E) disclose investigation techniques
 - (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual
- (b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions
- (b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

- NR Material not responsive to a FOIA request excised with the agreement of the requester

F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FYTD 2021		(through June 30, 2021)
Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate	
Afghanistan	60%	
Albania	22%	
Algeria	31%	
Andorra	0%	
Angola	48%	
Antigua and Barbuda	41%	
Argentina	4%	
Armenia	42%	
Australia	3%	
Austria	2%	
Azerbaijan	27%	
Bahamas, The	5%	
Bahrain	17%	
Bangladesh	16%	
Barbados	6%	
Belarus	27%	
Belgium	1%	
Belize	10%	
Benin	45%	
Bermuda	0%	
Bhutan	5%	
Bolivia	13%	
Bosnia-Herzegovina	0%	
Botswana	19%	
Brazil	20%	
British Virgin Islands	0%	
Brunei	17%	
Bulgaria	12%	
Burkina Faso	25%	
Burma	9%	
Burundi	40%	
Cabo Verde	38%	
Cambodia	33%	
Cameroon	70%	
Canada	8%	
Cayman Islands	15%	
Central African Republic	50%	
Chad	85%	
Chile	13%	
China - mainland	16%	
China - Taiwan	9%	
Colombia	13%	

Congo, Democratic Republic of the	51%
Congo, Republic of the	64%
Costa Rica	7%
Cote d'Ivoire	39%
Croatia	8%
Cuba	77%
Cyprus	8%
Czech Republic	4%
Denmark	2%
Djibouti	81%
Dominica	21%
Dominican Republic	20%
Ecuador	27%
Egypt	32%
El Salvador	19%
Equatorial Guinea	78%
Eritrea	73%
Estonia	12%
Eswatini	0%
Ethiopia	37%
Fiji	38%
Finland	5%
France	5%
Gabon	25%
Georgia	19%
Germany	2%
Ghana	40%
Gibraltar	0%
Greece	6%
Grenada	30%
Guatemala	16%
Guinea	55%
Guinea-Bissau	60%
Guyana	17%
Haiti	83%
Honduras	10%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	4%
Hong Kong-BNO	21%
Hungary	22%
Iceland	0%
India	28%
Indonesia	3%
Iran	60%
Iraq	29%
Ireland	9%
Israel	4%
Italy	4%

Jamaica	24%
Japan	1%
Jordan	35%
Kazakhstan	70%
Kenya	63%
Kiribati	100%
Kosovo	13%
Kuwait	5%
Kyrgyzstan	50%
Laos	67%
Latvia	15%
Lebanon	31%
Lesotho	9%
Liberia	81%
Libya	58%
Liechtenstein	0%
Lithuania	6%
Luxembourg	0%
Macau S.A.R.	5%
Madagascar	25%
Malawi	27%
Malaysia	3%
Maldives	0%
Mali	52%
Malta	0%
Mauritania	82%
Mauritius	3%
Mexico	4%
Moldova	48%
Monaco	0%
Mongolia	30%
Montenegro	20%
Montserrat	0%
Morocco	44%
Mozambique	14%
Namibia	7%
Nepal	26%
Netherlands	4%
New Zealand	1%
Nicaragua	16%
Niger	46%
Nigeria	57%
No Nationality	60%
North Macedonia	9%
Norway	2%
Oman	11%
Pakistan	50%

Palestinian Authority Travel Document	54%
Panama	5%
Papua New Guinea	10%
Paraguay	5%
Peru	13%
Philippines	30%
Poland	6%
Portugal	7%
Qatar	28%
Romania	9%
Russia	25%
Rwanda	59%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	16%
Saint Lucia	17%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	40%
Samoa	0%
San Marino	0%
Saudi Arabia	19%
Senegal	55%
Serbia	8%
Seychelles	25%
Sierra Leone	65%
Singapore	5%
Slovakia	8%
Slovenia	0%
Somalia	46%
South Africa	16%
South Korea	4%
South Sudan	48%
Spain	4%
Sri Lanka	40%
Sudan	48%
Suriname	11%
Sweden	3%
Switzerland	3%
Syria	52%
Tajikistan	79%
Tanzania	21%
Thailand	22%
The Gambia	65%
Timor-Leste	0%
Togo	4%
Trinidad and Tobago	5%
Tunisia	31%
Turkey	25%
Turkmenistan	62%
Turks and Caicos Islands	0%

Uganda	43%
Ukraine	18%
United Arab Emirates	8%
United Kingdom	3%
Uruguay	2%
Uzbekistan	51%
Vanuatu	100%
Venezuela	27%
Vietnam	24%
Yemen	80%
Zambia	27%
Zimbabwe	14%

***"No nationality" refusals includes individuals presenting travel documents issued by a competent authority other than their country of nationality, including, for example, aliens traveling on a Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations and refugees residing in another country.**

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Only nationalities that have data available during the indicated fiscal year are listed.

F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2019

Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	76%
Albania	32%
Algeria	72%
Andorra	0%
Angola	31%
Anguilla	0%
Antigua and Barbuda	9%
Argentina	4%
Armenia	52%
Australia	2%
Austria	2%
Azerbaijan	30%
Bahamas, The	8%
Bahrain	14%
Bangladesh	38%
Barbados	1%
Belarus	12%
Belgium	4%
Belize	16%
Benin	78%
Bermuda	0%
Bhutan	45%
Bolivia	14%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	12%
Botswana	25%
Brazil	20%
British Virgin Islands	8%
Brunei	0%
Bulgaria	5%
Burkina Faso	59%
Burma	13%
Burundi	59%
Cabo Verde	24%
Cambodia	32%
Cameroon	84%
Canada	8%
Cayman Islands	9%
Central African Republic	88%
Chad	89%
Chile	2%
China - mainland	11%
China - Taiwan	2%
Colombia	25%

Comoros	80%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	70%
Congo, Republic of the	84%
Costa Rica	6%
Cote d'Ivoire	53%
Croatia	5%
Cuba	53%
Cyprus	2%
Czech Republic	8%
Denmark	1%
Djibouti	95%
Dominica	10%
Dominican Republic	42%
Ecuador	21%
Egypt	38%
El Salvador	20%
Equatorial Guinea	47%
Eritrea	80%
Estonia	3%
Eswatini	4%
Ethiopia	50%
Fiji	46%
Finland	0%
France	6%
Gabon	58%
Georgia	34%
Germany	1%
Ghana	62%
Gibraltar	0%
Greece	8%
Grenada	28%
Guatemala	25%
Guinea	93%
Guinea-Bissau	74%
Guyana	11%
Haiti	63%
Honduras	25%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	7%
Hong Kong-BNO	8%
Hungary	2%
Iceland	0%
India	37%
Indonesia	11%
Iran	50%
Iraq	66%
Ireland	12%
Israel	9%

Italy	6%
Jamaica	32%
Japan	2%
Jordan	70%
Kazakhstan	52%
Kenya	51%
Kiribati	0%
Kosovo	22%
Kuwait	6%
Kyrgyzstan	47%
Laos	53%
Latvia	11%
Lebanon	17%
Lesotho	7%
Liberia	78%
Libya	67%
Liechtenstein	0%
Lithuania	7%
Luxembourg	0%
Macau S.A.R.	6%
Madagascar	17%
Malawi	60%
Malaysia	2%
Maldives	30%
Mali	80%
Malta	0%
Mauritania	87%
Mauritius	4%
Mexico	7%
Moldova	28%
Monaco	0%
Mongolia	60%
Montenegro	7%
Morocco	52%
Mozambique	6%
Namibia	7%
Nepal	77%
Netherlands	3%
New Zealand	1%
Nicaragua	23%
Niger	52%
Nigeria	77%
No Nationality*	33%
North Macedonia	20%
Norway	2%
Oman	5%
Pakistan	57%

Palestinian Authority Travel Document	61%
Panama	7%
Papua New Guinea	8%
Paraguay	9%
Peru	21%
Philippines	40%
Poland	9%
Portugal	5%
Qatar	13%
Romania	6%
Russia	15%
Rwanda	48%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	24%
Saint Lucia	7%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2%
Samoa	14%
San Marino	0%
Saudi Arabia	13%
Senegal	64%
Serbia	13%
Seychelles	0%
Sierra Leone	65%
Singapore	2%
Slovakia	3%
Slovenia	1%
Solomon Islands	0%
Somalia	66%
South Africa	15%
South Korea	4%
South Sudan	46%
Spain	5%
Sri Lanka	55%
Sudan	48%
Suriname	0%
Sweden	2%
Switzerland	1%
Syria	70%
Tajikistan	61%
Tanzania	42%
Thailand	43%
The Gambia	81%
Timor-Leste	0%
Togo	73%
Tonga	32%
Trinidad and Tobago	5%
Tunisia	31%
Turkey	42%

Turkmenistan	70%
Turks and Caicos Islands	29%
Uganda	54%
Ukraine	39%
United Arab Emirates	6%
United Kingdom	4%
Uruguay	2%
Uzbekistan	73%
Vanuatu	0%
Venezuela	39%
Vietnam	36%
Yemen	69%
Zambia	28%
Zimbabwe	25%

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F1 Adjusted Refusal Rates by Nationality: FY 2020

Nationality	Adjusted Refusal Rate
Afghanistan	81%
Albania	48%
Algeria	76%
Andorra	14%
Angola	41%
Anguilla	0%
Antigua and Barbuda	10%
Argentina	2%
Armenia	58%
Australia	5%
Austria	4%
Azerbaijan	38%
Bahamas, The	12%
Bahrain	17%
Bangladesh	41%
Barbados	5%
Belarus	22%
Belgium	4%
Belize	10%
Benin	58%
Bermuda	0%
Bhutan	60%
Bolivia	10%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6%
Botswana	19%
Brazil	30%
British Virgin Islands	13%
Brunei	14%
Bulgaria	9%
Burkina Faso	75%
Burma	22%
Burundi	82%
Cabo Verde	35%
Cambodia	36%
Cameroon	83%
Canada	6%
Cayman Islands	5%
Central African Republic	93%
Chad	94%
Chile	9%
China - mainland	20%
China - Taiwan	7%
Colombia	29%

Comoros	100%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	74%
Congo, Republic of the	77%
Costa Rica	13%
Cote d'Ivoire	48%
Croatia	3%
Cuba	70%
Cyprus	2%
Czech Republic	9%
Denmark	2%
Djibouti	100%
Dominica	17%
Dominican Republic	42%
Ecuador	28%
Egypt	52%
El Salvador	26%
Equatorial Guinea	47%
Eritrea	84%
Estonia	3%
Eswatini	4%
Ethiopia	51%
Fiji	38%
Finland	1%
France	12%
Gabon	66%
Georgia	32%
Germany	2%
Ghana	75%
Greece	7%
Grenada	13%
Guatemala	28%
Guinea	88%
Guinea-Bissau	67%
Guyana	5%
Haiti	60%
Honduras	19%
Hong Kong S.A.R.	9%
Hong Kong-BNO	22%
Hungary	8%
Iceland	0%
India	44%
Indonesia	15%
Iran	62%
Iraq	58%
Ireland	12%
Israel	13%
Italy	10%

Jamaica	30%
Japan	2%
Jordan	65%
Kazakhstan	68%
Kenya	54%
Kiribati	0%
Kosovo	13%
Kuwait	14%
Kyrgyzstan	71%
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Latvia	11%
Lebanon	26%
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Nepal	78%
Netherlands	2%
New Zealand	3%
Nicaragua	15%
Niger	65%
Nigeria	77%
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North Korea	100%
North Macedonia	18%
Norway	3%
Oman	6%
Pakistan	54%

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Panama	7%
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Qatar	16%
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Spain	5%
Sri Lanka	57%
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Sweden	3%
Switzerland	3%
Syria	63%
Tajikistan	69%
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Timor-Leste	0%
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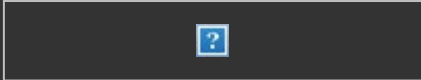
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