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Minister for Immigration
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From the Chairs

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Dear Robert

We are writing on behalf of our Committees with regards to the availability and publication of statistics on people with Leave to Remain with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF).

In January 2022, as part of the Work and Pensions Committee's inquiry into Children in poverty: No Recourse to Public Funds, we discussed with predecessor Ministers the new casework system that would improve the availability of data on the number of people in the UK, at any one time, with leave to remain with NRPF. [Home Office officials also wrote to the Director General for Regulation](#) at the Office for Statistics Regulation that the "new integrated casework system" was expected to be operational at some point in 2022, after it failed to be completed in 2021 [as previously set out](#).

Previous Home Office, DWP and DfE Ministers [wrote to the Work and Pensions Committee](#) on the casework system in March 2022 and told us

The Home Office is replacing its CID system (Case Information Database) with the new Atlas system. Transition of all in-country applications to remain in the UK is almost complete. We expect to move the remaining case types, which represent a smaller caseload volume, across to Atlas by August 2022.

Subsequent reporting of data that has been produced under the new system will take longer, as sufficient time is needed for a meaningful quantity of cases to be progressed on the new system and for the supporting data infrastructure to be established.

We would be grateful if you could answer the following questions.

1) When will the new integrated casework system be fully operational?

a) Why has it suffered from delays?

2) When the system is operational, will it be able to report how many people have been given leave to remain with no recourse to public funds attached, within a given timeframe?

3) Will the Home Office commit to publish information from the new casework system, once it has recorded a “meaningful quantity of cases”?

a) Does the Home Office have a plan for further developing statistics on NRPF, and if so, can this be shared with our Committees?

We would ask for a response by Monday 19 December.

Yours sincerely,



Rt Hon Sir Stephen Timms MP
Chair
Work and Pensions Committee



Dame Diana Johnson MP
Chair
Home Affairs Committee