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This project aims to analyse the various forms of assistance and support offered nationwide by local authority Children's Services departments to families with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) restrictions under section 17 of the Children Act 1989. Please could you provide the following information:

- a. The number of families presenting in the period Nov 2024-Nov 2025 as in need because denied recourse to public funds, and who have been found ineligible for support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 because, following a Human Rights Assessment, it has been determined that they may safely return to their imputed countries of origin.
- b. The number of families in the period Nov 2024-Nov 2025 who were previously provided with accommodation and/or financial support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 on the basis of their denial of recourse to public funds, but have since had such support withdrawn, following a Human Rights Assessment determining that they may safely return to their imputed countries of origin.
- c. The number of families accommodated and/or provided with financial support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 on the basis of their NRPF status, who have subsequently requested assistance applying to the Home Office Voluntary Returns Service in the period Nov 2024-Nov 2025.
- d. The number of families accommodated and/or provided with financial support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 on the basis of their NRPF status, whose member(s) have subsequently regularised their immigration status, gaining recourse to public funds, in the period Nov 2024-Nov 2025.
- e. The number of families accommodated and/or provided with financial support on the basis of their NRPF status under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 who have been referred by local authority staff to the Independent Family Returns Panel in the period Nov 2024-Nov 2025.

RESPONSE

A-E – The Local Authority does not hold this data.