

Chapter 43 Annex C

Draft letter explaining which documents are needed to establish a claim to British subject status

Dear

Thank you for your letter of about your nationality status.

Nationality is a matter which can be determined conclusively only by the Courts. However, from the information which you have provided it appears that you were a British subject [under section 2/13/16 of the British Nationality Act 1948/under section 1 of the British Nationality Act 1965] before 1 January 1983 and that on that date, when the British Nationality Act 1981 came into force, you became a British subject [under section 30/31(2)] of that Act.

Production of [list of the appropriate documents] will normally be sufficient to establish your status for all ordinary purposes, for example if you wish to apply for a British passport. Please note, however, that additional evidence of identity such as a driving licence, a banker's card or, in the case of a child, a school record, may be requested in certain cases.

An application for a British passport should be made to your regional Passport Office. Application forms may be obtained from any main Post Office.

Yours