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Dear Mr Wightman

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS S5W-29744 and S5W-29745

The Cabinet Secretary in his response to the above PQ indicated that it related to operational matters within the responsibility of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service corporate body. I am now writing in response to the matter raised.

S5W-29744 asks the Scottish Government how many applications for eviction proceedings have (a) been made to and (b) not yet been decided by the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) since 25 March 2020.

- (a) Between 25 March 2020 and 16 June 2020, 158 applications have been made to the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) for eviction proceedings.
- (b) Of the 158 applications made to the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) for eviction proceedings that have been sifted so far, 12 applications have been rejected by the Tribunal, 3 applications have been withdrawn by the applicant, and a final decision is still to be made on 143 applications.

S5W-29745 asks the Scottish Government how many applications for eviction proceedings have not yet been decided by the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber).

A final decision is still to be made on 484 applications made to the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) for eviction proceedings.

A copy of this letter will be placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre and published on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service website.

Yours sincerely

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