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Headteachers of all maintained schools in
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Children and Young People's Services

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Dear Colleague

European Union Migrants

You will be familiar with EMAG that provides funding support for many ethnic minority children. Schools Forum have recently had a discussion about supporting those schools with increasing numbers of European Union migrant children with English as an additional language.

Schools Forum has identified a one off sum of £306k for 2010/11 to look at supporting those schools in most need. To be able to consider funding distribution options it was agreed schools should be invited to provide data on the numbers of children from countries that have recently joined the European Community.

This approach is being taken because the data currently collected does not provide significant detail (PLASC does not provide this level of detail and the October first languages data collection is not statutory and is therefore not completed to this level by all schools).

To be included, schools must complete a simple form (attached) and return it no later than Friday 5 March 2010 to Michael Benn (Children's Trust, Children and Young People's Services). Some checking of data totals will take place against PLASC data. A report will be provided for Schools Forum on 26 April 2010 for the purposes of considering funding options and approaches.

Yours sincerely

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Children and Young People's Services

Information return on pupils whose first language is not English

School :

Number of pupils in categories below:

Country	No of Pupils
Czech Republic	
Estonia	
Hungary	
Latvia	
Lithuania	
Poland	
Slovakia	
Slovenia	
Romania	
Bulgaria	

The total numbers above will be compared to the PLASC census data for January 2010.

Signed: _____

Headteacher: _____

Date: _____