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Refugees in Croatia queueing yesterday to cross the border into Hungary before it was closed. Bishops want Cameron to 'mobilise the nation' in response to the crisis. Getty

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frustration at Downing Street's footdragging, the bishops have released to the Observer a private letter they sent to the prime minister in early September.

In it they called on him to increase the number of refugees that the UK is prepared to take over the next five years from 20,000 to 50,000, and to consider involving the church in a national effort to "mobilise the nation as in times past"
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n who had become homeless

as "increasingly inadequate" and complains that the prime minister respond to their suggestions with mor than a cursory acknowledgment.

"It is disheartening that we have no of a photograph or received any substantive reply despit graphic. an assurance from the prime ministe that one would be received," Butle photographer's name. says. "There is an urgent and compelling moral duty to act, which we as bishops are offering to facilitate alongside others from across civil society."

He adds: "There is a real urgency to this issue with those increasingly being forced from their land as their homes are literally bombed into the ground. As the fighting intensifies, as the sheer scale of

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from families hit by dramatic falls in their incomes.

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