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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on live animal exports which we received on 25 November 2018. Your request for information on questions 5 and 6 has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI). Answers to your other questions will be responded to by the business.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'5. How many calves were exported via Ireland this year

The Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) do not record the age of animals that are listed for export. The following information is the total number of Bovine animals exported via Ireland being accompanied with a Journey Log which lists that there are unweaned animals in the consignment. The number of animals being transported with an unweaned journey log to a Member State of the European Union via the Republic of Ireland in 2018 is 4,513.

'6. What was the average journey time from Annan to the staging post in Tollevast that you calculated for this part of the journey from Scotland to Spain?' As you have assessed this journey, you must have made a calculation to establish the viability of the applied times from the organiser. I would like to have this'

APHA calculated the proposed times of 20 journeys from Annan to Spain with a stop at Tollevast Control Post. The mean average time for this journey is 67 hours and 3 minutes

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Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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