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Dear Sir/Madam,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Freedom of Information request – Dangerous Dogs Act – Index of Exempted Dogs

Thank you for your request for information on the Index of Exempted Dogs. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Here is the information you requested:

Q1. How many dogs are currently registered on the Index of Exempted Dogs?

A1. As of 10th February 2014 there are currently 2658 registered on the Index of Exempted Dogs

Q1a. Of those dogs exempted, how many are exempted as a pit bull type, Dogo Argentino, Fila Brasileiro and Japanese Tosa ?

A1a.	Pit Bull type	-	2652
	Dogo Argentino	-	4
	Fila Brasileiro	-	0
	Japanese Tosa	-	2

Q2. How many dogs are currently in the process of being exempted – CDOs have been issued by the courts but exemption hasn't yet been fully completed?

A2. As of 10th February 2014 there were 204 applications for exemptions being processed.

Q3 & 3a. How many exempted dogs are registered/owned by non-legal persons namely registered charities, registered companies, local authorities and any other non-legal persons?

A3 & 3a. The Index does not specifically record whether exemptions are in the names of legal or non-legal persons but have been able to identify 5 dogs in the name of registered charities.

I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

Annex A

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