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Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about the import of non-human primates, which we originally received on 6 April 2016. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and your amendment with our response is detailed below:

“Would you please let us have the following information contained in the CITES import certificates and airway bills, pertaining to the import of non-human primates (NHPs) into the UK, for breeding or use, under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 in 2015 and in 2016 to date.”

Clarity was then asked and the response was:

“As we stated in the request, each question refers to ‘the import of non-human primates (NHPs) into the UK’ – which like you say refers to the actual imports that have taken place (in 2015 and to date in 2016).

- (1) the number of NHPs;
- (2) the species, and the number of each of those species, of NHPs;
- (3) the number of NHPs whom were injured on arrival;
- (4) the type of injuries (e.g. any physical injuries such as dehydration, weight loss);
- (5) the number of NHPs whom were found dead upon arrival;
- (6) the countries from which NHPs were exported and the country of origin;
- (7) the means of transportation and the point of entry of NHPs;

- (8) the number of the NHPs that were each of the following (i) wild-caught (W), (ii) first generation offspring (F1), (iii) second generation offspring (F2), or (iv) Captive born (C);
- (9) the number of NHPs that were imported for each of the following purposes (i) M (Medical (including biomedical research), (ii) S (Scientific), (iii) T (Commercial), (iv) E (Educational), and (v) B (Breeding in captivity or artificial propagation)."

The information you have requested for the whole of 2015 has been withheld under section 14(2) of the Freedom of Information Act, which relates to a repeated request. APHA supplied you with the exact information requested above from 1 January 2015 to 18 November 2015. Therefore, we have only supplied you with the information from 19 November 2015 to 6 April 2016 (date of your request).

Between 19 November 2015 and 6 April 2016 no non-human primates are recorded by APHA as being imported into the UK. This does not mean imports have not taken place, it is just that we have not yet been advised that the permits have been used.

I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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