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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about the export of falcons, which we received on 4 February 2016. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I request that you supply me with the following information

- a) 2010 to and including 2015 the number of Falcons exported to United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia.
- b) The species of interest are Peregrine, Gyr, Saker and Hybrids of these Falcons.
- c) If this is within your remit, could you provide the details for this group of Falcons that have been exported from the EU as a whole to these countries."

Please see the tables below showing the number of Peregrine, Gyr, Saker and hybrids of these species exported from the UK to the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia from 2013 to 2015. These figures are APHA's record of these exports as at 4 February 2016 (date of the request).

The requested information for 2010 to 2012 is being withheld under Section 21 of the FOIA. This is because it is published on the World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC) website. Please see link attached.

http://www.unep-wcmc.org/

The Animal and Plant Health Agency is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs working to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

APHA do not hold details for this group of falcons that have been exported from the EU as a whole to United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia. For information regarding birds exported from the EU as a whole you would need to approach the authority responsible for the export, in each individual EU country, or go the World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC) website as mentioned above.

Year	Total number of Peregrine, Gyr, Saker and hybrids of these species exported from the UK to UAE
2013	Peregrines = 63 Gyr = 1284 Saker = 7
2014	Peregrines = 129 Gyr = 1130 Saker = 6
2015	Peregrines = 232 Gyr = 1775 Saker = 15

Year	Total number of Peregrine, Gyr, Saker and hybrids of these species exported from the UK to Saudi Arabia
2013	Peregrines = 0 Gyr = 11 Saker = 1
2014	Peregrines = 0 Gyr = 0 Saker = 0
2015	Peregrines = 0 Gyr = 0 Saker = 0

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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