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Dear [REDACTED]

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about dog imports which we received on 11 March 2016. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

“Could you provide me with the total numbers of dogs being commercially imported from Romania specifically, if not possible the EU if I can have this by year for the last 3 years?”

Year	Dogs	Mixed cats/dogs
2013	0	0
2014	3616	140
2015	8113	42

This data has been extracted from Trade Control and Expert System (TRACES) through the data warehouse facility by searching for imports of *canis familiaris* from Romania. These figures cover all commercially imported dogs including commercial puppies, rescue dogs, research dogs and unaccompanied pets.

In some cases imports were recorded on TRACES as “Canis familiaris/Felis catus”, these are included in column “Mixed Cats/dogs”.

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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