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Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about IFNG tests, which we received on 21 September 2016. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

“I wonder if you can tell me the number of IFNG tests that you have carried out over the last 12 months. Can you give the breakdown of the number of official and the number of private IFNG tests?”

The number of cattle blood samples tested for IFN-gamma from 1 August 2015 to 21 September 2016 (date of your request), inclusive was 123,547.

Private testing has been available only since 6 April 2016. There has been one sample privately tested during this time period that is included in that total figure above.

Gamma monthly reports from 2006 to March 2016 are available in the public domain at:

<https://data.gov.uk/data/search?q=interferon>

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Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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