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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about live animal exports which we received on 02 March 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I looking for data on cattle and calf exports from the UK, for the years 2006 to 2017 if available, but to confirm the historical information I've been given, but also to fill in the gap from 2013 onwards."

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, we have established that the information that you have requested 'statistical data on cattle and calf exports between 2006 and 2013 is not held by APHA.

The Animal and Plant Health Agency's (APHA's) data retention period for exports is two years, so we only hold data for the full years 2016 and 2017. APHA has, previously, supplied some statistical data on live cattle exports which we have retained for the years 2014 and 2015, the source data is no longer available for these years.

- 2014 There was a total 0f 2214 cattle exported
- 2015 There was a total of 1202 cattle exported
- 2016 There was a total of 8007 cattle exported
- 2017 There was a total of 9633 cattle exported

Please be advised that the figures provided above are for exports from Great Britain only, this does not include any data for exports from Northern Ireland as APHA do not hold this data. Also not included is any national trade for GB exports to Northern Ireland, The Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

Information for Northern Ireland should be requested from the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs: https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/

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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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