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{By Email}

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Dear

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about data sets of live exports which we received clarification for on the 21 May 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 have recently been in contact with AHDB (agricultural horticultural development board) regarding data sets of live exports. I am looking to provide an analysis of data trends in history and of recent of bovine and sheep.

The information would be required for as far back as you are able to provide, ideally around 10 years if this is possible, however any previous data would be helpful if you are unable to provide analysis back as far as one decade."

Please find attached two reports titled Appendix 1 (Bovines) and Appendix 2 (Ovines) showing the exports from 2008 - 2017. These two reports show the number of consignments and number of animals exported from the UK to the European Union in the years 2008 – 2017.

These reports have been taken from the TRACES (Trade Control and Expert System) Data Warehouse function. Please note, TRACES is a European Commission system employed by EU member states to facilitate and record animal/animal product movements into and throughout the EU. The information that we have provided is a true reflection of the information that we have access to.

The other reports that are attached Appendix 3, 4 and 5, show a more detailed report of the period from May 2016 to December 2016, Jan 2017 to December 2017 and Jan 2018 to May 2018' and are taken from the TRACES Qlikview function.

Qlikview allows for a more detailed report to be created but cannot be used for anything older than a rolling 24 month period, hence the reports run from May 2016 through to May 2018.

We have included a chart that identifies what the initials for each country stand for in the Qlikview reports under Appendix 6.

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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

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#### Annex

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