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Dear [REDACTED]

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information exemption permits for panther tigris which we received on 10 July 2018. Your request has been handled under the Environmental Regulation Information 2004(EIR).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 please could you provide me with all CITES exemption permits for *panthera tigris* exports to EU countries since 2010.'

The A10 is a certificate issued by CITES in the EU to authorise the commercial use of an Annex listed specimen. Specimen specific A10s are valid for use anywhere in the EU for all commercial purposes.

Since 2010 we have issued 88 Article 10 Certificates for live tigers and there is no requirement for a specified destination, so the specimens could well have remained in the UK or been transferred to anywhere within the EU.

In line with APHA data retention policy we delete scanned application document files at 5 years, so copies of any permits before 2013 may not be available. Since August 2013 we have issued 47 Article 10 exemption permits.

For CITES purposes the EU is considered a single entity with free non-commercial movement of CITES listed specimens. So the transfers are not 'exports' as we would term them.

Information disclosed in response to this EIR request is releasable to the public. In keeping with the spirit and effect of the EIR and the government's Transparency Agenda, this letter and the information disclosed to you may be placed on GOV.UK, together with

any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. No information identifying you will be placed on the GOV.UK website.

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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