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Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information reindeer imports which we received on 12 November 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'Please could you supply details of live reindeer imports to the UK and internal transports for 2016, 2017 and 2018?

The information I seek is as follows, for each year:

- Consignments of live reindeer imported, by year and country of origin
- Numbers of live reindeer imported, by year and country of origin
- Numbers of live reindeer imported by year and port/point of entry
- Intended destination of each consignment, if known
- Consignments of live reindeer exported, by year and country of destination
- Numbers of live reindeer exported, by year and country of destination
- Numbers of journeys undertaken by live reindeer and subject to inspection under the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (England) Order 2006 and parallel national legislation in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, by year
- Welfare inspection reports for these journeys, by year.'

[The Animal and Plant Health Agency \(APHA\) can access information for species of animals that require a health certificate through TRACES \(Trade Control and Expert System\) which is a European Commission system employed by EU member states to facilitate and record animal/animal product movements into and throughout the EU.](#)

The enclosed information was extracted from TRACES using the Qlikview reporting tool by searching for consignments of reindeer for import and export. There are no records of reindeer movements for export from the UK to the EU for the year 2018.

APHA's records for Export Health Certificates (EHC) issued for animal exports from Great Britain to third countries that do not use the TRACES system, confirm there are no exports of reindeer to third countries recorded. Please contact the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland for details of any exports consignments to third countries from Northern Ireland. <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/>

Import of Live Reindeers to UK 2016-2018			
Year	Country of Origin	Number of Consignments	Total Number of Reindeers
2016	Finland	3	81
	Netherlands	1	17
	Sweden	1	4
	Switzerland	1	17
2016 TOTAL		6	119
2017	Czech Republic	1	1
	Finland	3	50
	Netherlands	3	7
2017 TOTAL		7	58
2018	Finland	1	31
	Germany	1	1
	Netherlands	1	15
2018 TOTAL		3	47
Export of Live Reindeers from UK 2016-2017			
Year	Country of Destination	Number of Consignments	Total Number of Reindeers
2016	France	2	6
2016 TOTAL		2	6
2017	Czech Republic	1	1
2017 TOTAL		1	1

Reindeer do not require a journey log and as it is not mandatory to record the port of entry/exit on TRACES, APHA are not able to provide this information.

The intended destination of each consignment has been exempted from release using Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Section 40

Some of the information contained within the request has been withheld under section 40(2), read in conjunction with 40(3)(a)(i) (third party personal data), of the FOIA as the information constitutes personal data relating to a third party. Section 40(2), read in conjunction with 40(3)(a)(i), of the FOIA provides that personal data relating to third parties is exempt information if disclosure would breach the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA).

APHA consider that disclosure of this information is likely to breach the first data protection principle in Schedule 1 of the DPA, which relates to the fair and lawful processing of personal data, in two ways. First, disclosure would not constitute 'fair' processing of the personal data, second, disclosure would not satisfy any of the conditions for data processing set out in Schedule 2 to the DPA. Therefore, we have concluded that this information is exempt from disclosure under section 40 of the FOIA.

APHA have not undertaken any inspection on consignments of reindeer under the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Order) 2006, the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Scotland) Regulations 2006 or the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Wales) Order 2007 during the years 2016, 2017 or 2018. Please contact the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland for details on any inspections carried out in Northern Ireland. <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/>

Any information provided is a true reflection of the information that we have access to. APHA can't guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been entered into TRACES by a third party.

Information disclosed in response to this FOI request is releasable to the public. In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOI 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

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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