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PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on cat and dog imports which we received on 10 January 2020. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I would like to request the following information.

The number is cats and dogs entering the UK as commercial goods from Bosnia for the period December 1st 2019 - January 9th 2020.

There were 30 dogs imported from Bosnia Herzegovina to the UK between 01/12/2019 and 09/01/2020. There are no records of cats being imported during this period.

Also, the number of cats and dogs from Bosnia with consignee as Pat Kaye or Small Dog Rescue Sussex and entering as commercial goods for the period 10th January 2019 - 2020."

There are no records of cats and dogs imported from Bosnia Herzegovina to the UK with a consignee recorded as Pat Kaye or Small Dog Rescue Sussex between 10/01/2019 and 10/01/2020.

This data was extracted from TRACES. TRACES (Trade Control and Expert System) 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. We can't guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been input into TRACES by a third party.

APHA is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and also works on behalf of the Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Food Standards Agency to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

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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

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Annex

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