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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about imports of macaque primates which we received on 18 July 2020. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

- "Freedom of Information request Number of macaque primates imported in 2018 & 2019 1. Please provide the number of macaque primates imported into the United Kingdom in year 2018. Please provide the figures from 1st January to 31st December. Please provide the figures separately for each month.
- 2. Please provide the number of macaque primates imported into the United Kingdom in year 2019. Please provide the figures from 1st January to 31st December. Please provide the figures separately for each month."

The number Macaca primates imported into UK 2018 – 2019 can be found in the tables below.

2018	No. of live animals approved for import	No. live animals imported*
January	460	182
February	490	164
March	1690	294
April	1000	199
May	700	173
June	0	0
July	1090	290
August	730	134
September	1918	867

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October	960	182
November	400	100
December	122	122

2019	No. of live animals approved for import	No. live animals imported*
January	800	55
February	580	280
March	0	0
April	856	100
May	890	143
June	400	100
July	0	0
August	1410	958
September	0	0
October	397	261
November	910	100
December	200	0

Please note that these figures are based on permits which have been endorsed by Border Force as used.

Permits are valid for 6 months and used permits are not always returned immediately after import.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below. During the current Coronavirus outbreak, our offices will be closed.

Yours sincerely

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Annex

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Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Coronavirus

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