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{By Email}

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Dear

#### PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on importation of dogs which we received on 13 August 2020. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"Please may I receive the dates and numbers of dogs in each transport to Many Tears Animal Rescue, Cwmlogic House, Cefneithin, Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, SA14 7BH Wales, from the following locations listed below during the following dates?

I would like the number of dogs on each transport and date of each transport inclusive from January 2019 to todays date 13.08.2020 that were entered into TRACES, from the following locations please? Please list separately.

In the case of Bosnia a CHED? Unless transported to Romania and arrived at Many Tears with Romanian Passport. If possible can you indicate if that is the case please?

- 1. Mr John Boland, Newtown, Horseleap, Moate, Co Offaly N37 FP79 Republic of Ireland.
- 2. Republic of Ireland
- 3. Romania
- 4. Caki Rescue Bosnia
- 5. Bosnia"

Please see attached data for transport of dogs to Many tears animal rescue between 01/01/2019 and 13/08/2020.

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APHA are not able to provide any data on consignments imported with a Romanian passport that originated in Bosnia. Any imports that are re-certified in Romania would show as originating in Romania on TRACES.

There were no records of dogs imported using a Common Health Entry Document (CHED) from Caki rescue in Bosnia and there was only 1 consignment that was imported from Mr John Boland which is highlighted in yellow the attached Appendix 1.

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

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.

An Annex is attached 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. 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

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