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### PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your requests for information about pheasant and partridge imports, which APHA received on 17 August 2021. Your requests have been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"A copy of each 'Import Notification Form' for all live game birds and eggs—pheasants and partridges—which took place during May and July 2021, including the number of birds / eggs imported, Port of Entry, Country of Origin and area postcode for Place of Destination (e.g. YO62)."

Import Notification Forms are no longer used to notify APHA about imports of live animals from EU countries. Notifications regarding these imports must now be submitted using the Import of products, animals, food and feed system (IPAFFS).

The attached spreadsheet (Appendix 1) contains a summary of notifications submitted via IPAFFS for pheasant and partridge live birds and hatching eggs imports from the EU for the period May and July 2021. Please note there were no pheasant or partridge live birds or hatching eggs imports during the period of July.

Where no post code is recorded this was not provided.

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.

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.

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 or postal address at the top of this letter.

# Postal requests during the COVID-19 outbreak

APHA are currently experiencing delays in replying to post received. You should send queries to the relevant email address (details below) wherever possible. Please remember to include a return email address.

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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