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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about Sparrow Hawks, which APHA received on 15 September 2021. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I would like to know how many A10 certificates (commercial transaction) have been issued this year for Sparrow Hawks (Accipiter nisus) hatched in 2021 breeding season."

At the time of writing APHA have issued 89 x A10 certificates for commercial use for 2021 pure bred Eurasian Sparrowhawks (Accipiter nisus).

The information supplied only includes applications processed and issued so far, but there may be further applications awaiting logging, so there may be more by the end of October/November.

This request is now closed and should you require any further information this will have to be registered as a new request and any subsequent legislative deadlines adhered to.

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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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