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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Statistics on dog imports

Thank you for your request for information of 16th July about Statistics on dog imports. APHA have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

“Please may I request the following information regarding the number of dogs imported into the UK to Many Tears Animal Rescue, Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, Wales from the ROI from January 1st 2023 to 17th July 2023 inclusive.

The dates of every transport and the number of dogs on each transport entered into TRACES.

The place of origin in the ROI of the dogs leaving the ROI on each transport. Part postcode is acceptable if not able to name.

Details of each transport including date if dogs or paperwork were found to be non compliant.

Details and dates of any transports from any other country including the numbers of dogs on each transport imported to Many Tears Animal Rescue during the same period.”

Please see the attached data produced in response to this request (Appendix 1)

The Imports 1.1.23 to 17.7.23 extract shows imports to Many Tears Animal Rescue, during the period 1 January 2023 to 17 July 2023.

APHA are unable to provide origin postcodes as this information is not available. The field is not mandatory and has not been completed for the Import Notifications, therefore on this occasion we are unable to provide any postcode information.

The information that we have provided is a true reflection of the information that we have access to. We cannot guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been input into external customer facing systems by third parties.

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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.

Yours sincerely

Access to Information Team

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Annex

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