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Response by email:

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Date: 31 July 2023

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

I refer to your request for information received by the Department on 14 July 2023 in which you sought:

- **Information on the numbers, county of birth, destinations (region within country of import) and ages (in days) of calves exported from NI in the last 5 years.**

I can advise that the Department has completed a search of its records and can confirm that it holds some of the information you requested, which is detailed in Annex A.

In relation to information requested on the region of import for each animal we are only able to provide this information in limited cases. The department has cross referenced a number of export reports derived from multiple IT systems to provide the information required. In the case of information requested on the region of import there isn't a mandatory requirement for exporters to provide this as part of the export application process. It is optional additional information, but where this information is available and can be cross referenced to other data held, then the region of import is provided.

However, in all but a few cases, the department has been able to provide country of import details.

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If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department. If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Ballykelly House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted name]

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