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Mrs A Fearn
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Our Ref: AH0840
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Dear Mrs Fearn,

Subject: Request for statistics on pet dogs and cats whose microchip identification has failed travelling through Heathrow Airport under the Pet Passport Scheme.

Thanks for your email, sent on 3rd July 2010 to the Defra Helpline. It was passed to me for a response on 6th July 2010.

I have contacted the department who administer the Pets Passport Scheme and asked them if they can supply the information you have requested. However, the system used to record this information is unable to filter the data to provide statistics for Heathrow Airport alone.

We are able to provide data for all imports into the UK, regardless of the port of landing. The system does show reasons why animals have failed under the Pets Travel Scheme (i.e. microchip fail or microchip missing.) It also records the action that was taken (i.e. pet travels later) although this is not a mandatory requirement.

Apologies that we cannot provide the exact data you have requested. Please let me know if you would be interested in receiving the data for all imported pets.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss M Kennedy
Animal Health Corporate Centre

By Email.