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From: xxxxxxxx [SMTP:xxxxxxxxxxx]

Sent: 30 May 2011 19:52

To: DAFF (E-mail)

Subject: Impact of Foot & Mouth on bovine TB

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to my emails below, I would be grateful if you could send to me the following

(a) the number of cattle slaughtered in the Irish Republic due to Foot and Mouth in 2001 as a proportion of the number of cattle which existed at the time (as requested in my earlier emails shown below)

(b) the number of months over which TB testing was suspended in 2001 due to Foot and Mouth, and

(c) whether TB testing was relaxed at all when herds were restocked after the 2001 Foot and Mouth restrictions were lifted.

The reason why I am interested is because I am looking for an explanation for why Northern Ireland suffered a substantial increase in the proportion of cattle slaughtered due to TB in the years following Foot and Mouth and the Irish Republic did not.

If you are able to send to me any of the information referred to above, this would help to complete the picture.

Thank you for reading this.

Yours faithfully,

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