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Subject: Fwd: LEMIS Data FOIA Request
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Hi OLE,

I logged this in as FWS-2015-01005.

Thanks,

Melissa

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From: **Salma Chawaf** <schawaf@hsi.org>
Date: Wed, Jun 3, 2015 at 4:28 PM
Subject: LEMIS Data FOIA Request
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To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to request records under the federal Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552.

Humane Society International (HSI) hereby requests electronic LEMIS records for the year 2014. We request data on imports and exports of all animals of any class, whether live, dead, parts or products. We request the following variables be included in the records: control number, species code, class, genus, species, subspecies, generic name, specific name, wildlife description, quantity, unit, country of origin, country IE, Purpose, Source, Action, DP CD, Disp. Date, I/E, Port code, value, U.S. Importer/Exporter, Foreign Importer/Exporter. We request to receive this electronic information in one or more Microsoft Excel files, emailed to schawaf@hsi.org. If this is not possible due to the size of the files, then please send the files on a disk by mail.

HSI is prepared to pay lawful search and duplication fees incurred in connection with this request. However, we request a waiver of these fees, as provided by the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552 (a)(4)(a). HSI is a charitable, non-profit organization and makes this request as part of its ongoing efforts to promote the humane care and treatment of all animals. Information obtained by HSI is routinely compiled, analyzed, and disseminated to our national membership, and to the general public. If, however, you deny this request for a waiver, and if fees will exceed \$50.00, please notify me so that I may decide whether to authorize a larger expenditure or appeal your decision. In order to facilitate timely disclosure, please contact me by email, (schawaf@hsi.org) rather than by mail, if you have questions about this request.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to receiving a reply to this request within ten business days, as required by law.

Sincerely,

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