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Answer given by Ms Kyriakides
on behalf of the European Commission
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1. There is no legal obligation for Member States, which are responsible for the checks, to submit this information to the Commission. The Commission does not have these data.
2. Article 35 of Regulation (EC) No 576/2013¹ establishes that, where necessary, the competent authority consults with the owner or the authorised person on the measures to be taken when the checks show non-compliances. The extent of this consultation depends on the competent authority. It is also on the competent authority to decide when the option to put the pet down is the last resort.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R0576&from=EN>