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Dear Ms Rattray

In response to your request for additional information following the Government Business Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday 30 November, please see below:

***1. Define what unsuitable for rehoming means as there is a separate line for euthanised and behavioural problems – GAP.***

Greyhounds that are adopted via the Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) undergo a thorough behavioural assessment to ensure that they are safe to be rehomed.

Some greyhounds like any other animal may be unsuitable for rehoming for a number of reasons including medical conditions and unsuitable temperament or behavioural problems.

Euthanasia as a result of a GAP behavioural assessment is rare.

'Failed Assessment – Returned to Owner' as stated on page 15 of the Tasracing 2022 Annual Report is a historical classification that is no longer applicable.

Greyhounds are accepted by GAP and then undergo a behavioural assessment (GAP) and health assessment (Vet). Under current practices no greyhounds are returned to their Owner.

Tasracing notes the need to amend reporting classifications to ensure clarity and will do so for subsequent Annual Reports.

Yours sincerely

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**Minister for Racing**

cc: Gene.Phair, Chair Tasracing  
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