

BANNING LIVE ANIMAL EXPORTS

Dear Sirs – Australian Parliament,

1. I write to submit that I fully support the Bill of Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011.
2. The above Bill must be made legislative.
3. No amount of profit justifies the way live animal exports are abused and tortured in overseas abattoirs, particularly in Indonesia and the Middle East which we have recently seen.
4. I am skeptical of implementing Safeguards and OIE Guidelines in these overseas Abattoirs. It is unlikely that countries like Indonesia and the Middle East will adhere to the Safeguards and to the OIE Guidelines for the exported live animals, because these Countries do not care about Animal Welfare, nor have any concept of Animal Welfare.
5. The Australian Export Industry need to start looking at making the transition towards the Chilled and Frozen Meat Trade. In the long-term, ending the live animal export trade will not put the farmers or exporters at a disadvantage, as they have other options available.
6. Please seriously consider prohibiting the live animal export trade, or at least phasing it out within the next 3 years.
7. **Please have a heart towards the Cattle and other Animals.**
Put a STOP to this horrible destiny for them and **KEEP THEM IN AUSTRALIA.**
LOOK AFTER OUR OWN.

Thank you.

Submitted by Claire Morgan