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Dear Committee members,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Customs Legislation Amendment (Commercial Greyhound Export and Import Prohibition) Bill 2021.

I support this Bill given it will limit the number of greyhounds imported and exported. Fewer greyhounds will hopefully be subjected to the cruelty of racing. In addition, greyhound racing increases gambling and likely involves other nefarious activities including doping the dogs, money laundering, etc..

I hope that Parliament will have the courage to ban all forms of racing with animals given the cruelty involved.

Best regards,

Louise Taylor

"To be good farmers, we need to be good foresters. If we just put as much effort into forest rehabilitation as we put into lawns and as much capital as we put into wars, we could rehabilitate the whole world in a very short time" Geoff Lawton, permaculture designer and teacher, 2017