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To: aglawsinquiry
Subject: Inquiry into the Impact of Animal Rights Activism on Victorian Agriculture

Dear Sir or Madam,

I truly believe we need to keep the farmers, slaughterhouses, Government and anyone involved in raising and processing and particularly shipping live wildlife overseas, accountable!

I was not involved in the recent protests in Melb or at farms where livestock were released etc! I do not condone the actions of protesters, but I understand their frustration.

I have signed that many petitions, I am dizzy and nothing seems to change! I have petitioned against the shipping of live cattle and sheep out of Australia and it has fallen on deaf ears!

I am told that baby male chicks are thrown into mincers alive by farmers, who only want female layers!

I deplore the killing of young calves, taken from their mothers at birth and sent to slaughter!

I want to stop the slaughter of whales of any kind for whatever reason! I want to stop the sickening slaughter of sharks to make soup! The list goes on!

I think you know where I am leading here! People are going to protest if their wishes fall on deaf ears and they feel strongly about it!

However, there is a Pollyanna in me and always has been! I always think that our Government will take care of issues that concern their people! That is what they are there for, right?

We are in a world of extremists unfortunately. We are also in a world where, I fear, people are payed to protest and do it aggressively, not necessarily believing in what they are protesting!

So at the age of 67, I ask that our Government get it right!

Our farmers, who are doing the right thing, need to be protected, but, the unscrupulous farmers need to be dealt with!

Saving our worlds oceans, rivers, even local waterways and dams where birds and Australian animals are finding nourishment, need to be protected!

Our native wildlife need protecting from clearing of land and roads!

I want this for my grandchildren!

Regards,

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