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Inquiry Name: Inquiry into the Impact of Animal Rights Activism on Victorian Agriculture

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**SUBMISSION CONTENT:**

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Farms are private property. They are also people's homes. Homes to families. How would you respond if intruders stormed your home and took your animals and property without permission. How would you want these intruders penalised for not only breaking the law, but invading your home and your privacy. How would your children feel if strangers/intruders invaded your home. Recently, this threat was very real to us. We had to almost go into lockdown. Our three young children couldn't enjoy their home where they are supposed to feel safe and carefree. The possibility of protestors trespassing on our farm, our home, recently, saw us go into lockdown to protect our children, our property, our home. Our children were terrified and anxious in their own home. Protesting can have benefits if done in the right, legal way. Animals do need a voice, so that wrong-doing farmers/people are held accountable, and the correct farming processes are put in place. However, terrifying people and families by trespassing and stealing property in the name of protesting is illegal and these law breaking protestors should face harsher consequences.

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File2:

File3: