

Dear Governors,

Good Day. I hope you are well.

I am distressed to hear about the plight of animals during live transport. As if they were not terrified enough, they have to suffer a long journey to their deaths.

I am asking you please to consider the feelings of these sentient creatures and put a stop to live transport as soon as humanly possible. As well as being better for animals, it is surely better for farmers and consumers to have access to local meat. As for export, that could be undertaken after the animals are slaughtered.

It's time we stopped thinking of living creatures as mere walking chunks of meat. They are far more than that. It isn't that long ago since black people were treated as sub-human; Hitler and the Nazis had this view.

Now such attitudes have faded (hopefully) and we are generally more enlightened. Isn't it time we felt the same way about animals – treating them with the care and dignity they deserve? After all, they have done nothing to merit a life in which they are seen as mere objects.

Australians want live export to end so please honour their wishes.