



Dear Mr Glyde (Chair), Hon W Snowdon, Ms Middleton, and Ms Neil

Re: Live Sheep Export - Australian Sheep Deserve Better!

In 2017 Emanuel Exports was responsible for the agonising slow death of 2,500 sheep – cooked alive in over-crowded, faeces strewn pens. Lambs born into piles of shit. Not nice.

Emanuel Exports lost their license, for three years. Then it was back on, albeit with a summer ban.

Sheer chance exposed this abomination of animal cruelty. Details were leaked to the media. The government vet blamed for the leak. I heard she became unemployable and was so skint she had to kill her animals rather than let them starve.

Most animal cruelty goes unchecked. Unregulated.

Let's empathise for one moment. I'm not alone in finding a plane trip to the other side of the world agonising – cramped, not being able to move around freely for a day. Now let's imagine a trip of 20 days with no toilets, no air-conditioning, no entertainment or refreshments brought by hostesses.



If you've ever owned a pet, you know animals have feelings. They have the same range of emotions we have. These sheep don't look happy, do they? If we put ourselves into their hooves, we'd been terrified, horrified and desperate.

Australia is one of the richest countries in the world. Our animals deserve better treatment than they are currently getting.

Businesses exist to make profit. While it's possible for them to provide humane conditions, the profit drive **always compromises compassion**. Either way, it's not feasible to make a journey of 20 days to the Middle East comfortable and clean, while turning a big profit.

The sooner live animal exports are banned, the better for our animals.

Let's get this abomination fixed!

Yours sincerely

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