

To Whom it May Concern:

As a 5th Generation born voting Australian, I am writing to you regarding the Live Export phasing out.

In the last election, my main reason for voting Labour was their promise to listen to the people in their concerns about animal welfare and phasing out Live Export in particular, this I felt was very encouraging.

Now, we are at the threshold of keeping that promise and I am looking to your party to validate this by way of legislation and to begin right away on this premise, in this term of government.

I understand that this may affect farmers however, I believe the transition will bear more comfortably with government support to the farmers. I note that farmers have also made transitions into producing other key produce for exportation in replacement to animals and have proven to be very successful in doing so.

I also note that I and many others that I have spoken with have had our trust in Australia's Agriculture diminished over the last decade by way of denying and defending animal cruelty and the reasoning behind agriculture's stance.

Regulations for this Live Export are few and even when followed are inherently Cruel and at best sheep still suffer from heat stress at sea and painful Un- stunned slaughter overseas. The cries of sheep, the pain in their faces, the suffering that is unbearable and the fear of such sentient animals is abhorrent and unacceptable.

Like our neighbours New Zealand who have now stopped this dreadful trade (a legacy of Jacinda Ardern) we can stand side by side in our reputation worldwide, as a unique and forward-thinking country, that we stand for respect, compassion and democracy not limited to people but, also to animals and wildlife.

As a Voting Australian, I want certainty that Live Export trade will end this Term and no more excuses to prolong this shameful event. I want to support my government and I want my government to support the concerns of Australians who feel and believe in a cruelty free lifestyle and country.

Thank you for reading my concerns and stopping Live Export Trade a forgone conclusion.

