

Dear Panel Members,

I hereby lodge my submission to the independent panel on live sheep exports by sea.

I am against the continuation of live sheep exports. I strongly recommend that the practice be terminated immediately.

Ending the live export of sheep is long overdue. Tens of thousands of sheep have already died aboard ships. Many have and many more will be subjected to horrific suffering, abuse, pain, and potentially horrendous deaths the longer this trade is permitted to continue. The government made a commitment, supported by the majority of Australians, to end the live export of sheep. Now it must be fulfilled. Our animals cannot continue to suffer in this manner.

Please end the live export of sheep now and work towards a future without any live-animal exports.

Sheep are not the only victims of this cruel trade. Australian cattle are dying in painful, abhorrent ways overseas. Live cattle exports should also be banned by the Australian Government, effective immediately.

I thank you for this opportunity to express my opinions on this matter.