

Submission Regarding The Ending Of Live Sheep Export

One of the many reasons why I voted for Labor at the recent Federal election is its undertaking to end the export of live sheep from Australia.

My MP, the amazing [REDACTED], has bravely advocated for the end of live animal exports for as long as I've been in her electorate.

The ending of this heinous trade must commence as soon as possible. No longer should Australian sheep be subjected to the horrors of inhumane sea transport, followed by the inexcusable cruelty of fully conscious slaughter in importing countries.

The live export trade makes me ashamed to call myself an Australian, and my relatives and friends who live overseas are utterly appalled that Australia still supports this barbarity.

We have seen how the pathetic attempts to self-regulate the live export industry have been a disgraceful failure. Public trust in Australia's agricultural sector has been significantly eroded because of this arrogant disregard for animal welfare.

Every person I know, including many relatives who live in the country, want live export to end now. We are calling for the phase-out of live sheep export to be legislated and enacted in this term of Federal Parliament.

I am so proud of the Albanese Government, as we finally have responsible adults governing this country. Please let Australia continue to shine by ending the live export of Australian sheep. If New Zealand can do it, so can we!

Yours sincerely

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