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Dear Sir / Madam

On behalf of the majority of Australians, I urge to ban the horrific trade of exporting live sheep.

The trade is so cruel – millions of animals have to endure a long trip on a ship. The animals are terrified and crammed into hot, airless ships. I remember the former CEO of the RSPCA – [REDACTED] saying that the lucky ones die en route. Unfortunately the trade continues and I commend the labor government for committing to phase out this cruel trade. I voted labor as this was one of their election pledges as I am passionate about ending this vile trade.

Once the sheep get to their destination they are cruelly and violently slaughtered without pre slaughter stunning. We've all seen the TV footage of sheep being stuffed into car boots or tied onto car roof racks to await a cruel and painful slaughter.

This is no way to treat a sentient being. You wouldn't treat your family cat or dog this way, however you allow millions of sheep to be treated so poorly.

*As Mahatma Gandhi said "The greatness of a nation is judged by the way it treats its animals"*

I urge you to commit to ending the live export trade of sheep ASAP.

Regards,

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