

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** To the South Korean Government, I am writing to kindly ask that you ban the dog and cat meat trade in your country and help other countries like China, Vietnam, Cambodia and Indonesia to do the same. The Boknal and Yulin festivals are so unbelievably inhumane and greatly degrades your countries. The brutal barbaric tortures which these beautiful loving animals go through is just horrifying. Just thinking about it brings tears to my eyes. I would not wish such behaviour to my worst enemy. Please take a moment to think of what these animals go through and I'm sure you will feel pain for them. Sometimes it helps when we try to imagine ourselves in the position of others so as to understand them better. So I ask for you to close your eyes and imagine yourself in their position: Someone is throwing you without respect into a rusty small cage together with other people, you don't all fit in there, but no one cares about you or what you feel. Here in this cage you can't move or breath properly and your bones hurt or have been broken, but no one cares about you or what you feel. You travel for days without food and water, you feel weak and tired, but no one cares about you or what you feel. You finally reach the place of martyrdom, you feel alone and your heart is beating from fear, but no one cares about you and what you feel. People violently grab you from the cage and display you in front of everyone, you feel frightened and hurt, but no one cares about you and what you feel. Now it's time for your torture to begin, you have already seen what your fellow prisoners and loving friends have gone through, the beatings, the blood spilling, the skinning alive, the burning alive, the boiling alive etc. You wish for a miracle, you wish to escape, you desperately look into these people's eyes pleading for help, you wish there was love in the world, a love which would embrace every living being regardless of what they are, with compassion, love and respect. You have shown so many times your loyalty and love towards humans, why are they now treating you so terribly cruel? Is it so impossible for them to show you the same loyalty and love you have shown them?... Please, I am also asking that you enforce animal cruelty rights in your country, to save all animals from pain and barbaric tortures and to ban puppy mills (what a terryfying and inhumane place). All animals were made to be free in their own environment, just as humans were made to be free in

their own environment. Man is supposed to be kind and loving, not brutal and hateful. So many times animals have shown us just how loving, caring and compassionate they are. So many times humans have shown us just how hateful, uncaring and brutal they are. This should not be so. Please show the world that you care. Please show the world that there is still hope for love and respect amongst all living beings. Please send this message to China, Vietnam, Cambodia and Indonesia and to the whole world. Show us that your country and people care! Become a role model for the rest of your continent! Be the country to change the horrific history of these beautiful animals and man. The world is counting on you, and we know you won't let us down! Thank you kindly for your time. With respect, M.K