## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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Subject:

Greyhound Racing

Dear Director,

I have seen first hand the cruelty of the greyhound racing industry.

I work at a Vet, and in May this year, a beautiful greyhound came in with his owner, who told us to use him as a blood donor and then put him to sleep.

Even though he was scared, he was lovely and a gentle giant.

We decided to try and re-home him.

Unfortunately, the vet took too much blood from him and I spent the next 10 hours flipping him over every half hour and trying to get him to stand. I finally succeeded, but it was horrible to watch him struggle and has been my worst experience at the vet to date.

I also volunteer at my local RSPCA where this dog ended up after his ordeal. He started off as a beautiful, happy dog... Until the transfers happened. He has been transferred around the state, going from shelter to shelter until, after 5 transfers he was brought back to my local RSPCA again. At this point he was so depressed, he couldn't stand up.

He has gotten better in the last few weeks, but I don't like his chances of getting a home. This dog has been through hell and at times I think it would have been nicer if he was euthanased back in May.

Last week, he failed his greyhound rescue assessment because his prey drive is too strong. This is what he was trained for! My beautiful friend is running out of time and it breaks my heart thinking about his future.

Before Lokey, I hadn't thought about greyhound racing before. But since meeting this sweet, innocent dog I could never support it and I will always fight to have it banned.

He deserved better than this.

Sincerely,