

**Submission  
No 838**

## **INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW**

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Dear Director,

Gambling is not worth the suffering of innocent animals.

Current legislation allow unacceptable abuse of dogs.

Please look into:

- The need for prosecution where animal cruelty is found.
- The need for better management of the sale and over-breeding of greyhounds.
- The need for measures, such as financial incentives, to reduce the high numbers of greyhounds euthanized each year.
- Allegations of the 'doping' of dogs (as seen on ABC).
- Concern about the welfare of animals in the industry and the conflict of interest represented by Greyhound Racing NSW's role in establishing and enforcing standards for the treatment of animals in the industry.
- The ongoing export of greyhounds to countries where there are no effective animal cruelty laws, like Macau.
- The inadequacy and questionable integrity of data collection in the industry: including the number of pups born, the number of dogs euthanized and injury rates.

Please listen to our concerns and hopefully this leads to strong recommendations to improve the treatment of Greyhounds.

Sincerely,

Catalina Del Pilar