## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

Name: Ms Victoria Sublette

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## Dear Madame/Sir:

I am writing to provide my input toward the sport of greyhound racing.

Greyhound racing is a sport that benefits few and is not in the interest of the majority of Australians. It is an opportunity for gamblers to make money from a blood sport that is not only cruel in itself, but leads to thousands of deaths of over-bred greyhounds each year.

Dogs are drugged, kept in cages so small they cannot move properly, beaten, starved and then often clubbed, shot or drown when their careers are over - or if they never were suitable for running.

I have adopted two ex-racing greyhounds from the rescue. These animals are the most docile, gentle and good-natured dogs I have ever had the pleasure to own. The cruelty inflicted on them is unjust.

To this end, I am requesting that: stricter laws address greyhound doping and cruelty charges; that an independent committee be formed to address the welfare of the dogs, as having Greyhound Racing overlook these issues is an obvious conflict of interest.

That overbreeding and the high rates of euthanasia should be addressed by an independent commission, and finally, that dogs are NOT exported to other countries.

Thank you for considering these very important issues.