## INQUIRY INTO USE OF BATTERY CAGES FOR HENS IN THE EGG PRODUCTION INDUSTRY

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Dear Committee,

Laying hens in Australia are treated despicable. The battery cage system is the utmost form of cruelty and is what led me 20 years ago to become vegetarian. I was shocked to discover that Australia kept its farm animals this way. Please phase out battery hen caged egg farming.

Another part of egg farming that is appalling is the killing of all male chicks. The killing of all laying hens at 18 months of age regardless if caged or free range.

The entire egg industry needs to be investigated and humane conditions brought back.

Thank you.