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

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Hens are sentient, intelligent creatures who feel pain and discomfort much as humans do. The very least we owe them is a quality of life - including space to move and access to light and fresh air.

I implore the government to create changes which recognise that these creatures being farmed deserve a better quality of life - as a baseline.

I am also of the opinion that eggs are not required for human nutrition, and in fact may contribute to poor cholesterol and health. Rather than sourcing nutritional information from the egg industry, I would ask that you consider other sources, including medical and nutritional specialists. While I don't believe that egg farming is necessary at all, as a first step, please consider the life quality of these creatures if you are to insist upon exploiting their bodies for human consumption.