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

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I would like to express argument against Caged hens and the industry. Based on known facts that hens feel pain and distress, I would like to voice what they cannot voice, in that humans have a duty to treat animals with respect for this fact. The caged hen industry is cruel and the heinous conditions that these thinking, feeling innocent beings have to survive in is ... well I can think of no words to suffice!

Hens are known to think, reason, feel and have relationships with each other. They each have their own personalities. In other words; they are individual Beings. Hens are not things. They need sunshine and to be able to walk around, stretch their wings, and take a dust bath if they want to.

These cages are not even big enough for the hen to open her wings. I ask you to consider how you would feel if you could never move your arms? Never see the sun. Exist in the dark in years of piled up excreta with no air, some with broken bones, feathers falling out due to stress and illness. It is a sentence no criminal would suffer, so why are these innocent beings made to suffer? I ask you to simply Do The Right Thing and ban the caging of hens immediately. It should be a given, to Do The Right Thing. Stop the misery. Now.

Sincerely