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

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I find it so outmoded that we are still treating hens as machines. To deprive them of their the chance to exercise their basic rights to walking, scratching on the earth, dust bathing, personal space, varied diet in a country we call "civilised" just makes no sense. A compassionate society does not inflict cruelty and suffering on its "lowest" creatures.