

**Submission
No 498**

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

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Dear Committee members,

Briefly...

While we do not appear to be able to do without animal products as a source of the protein that our bodies require, there is no reason, other than commercial greed and indifference, why this requirement cannot be met humanely.

I am very careful in my selection of foodstuffs from supermarkets to ensure that their origin has involved as little cruelty and misery as possible. I'm not wealthy, but am prepared to pay a little extra towards any increased costs incurred by producers in achieving this. In general discussion, I find most people share a similar view.

I would like to see politicians devote more attention to ensuring better living conditions for livestock and less to trying to make it more difficult for malpractice to be exposed, which seems to be their focus at present.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Kind regards,
Richard Eddy