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**INQUIRY INTO EXHIBITION OF EXOTIC ANIMALS IN
CIRCUSES AND EXHIBITION OF CETACEANS IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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I firmly believe that dolphins and other wildlife do not belong in the entertainment industry, particularly as they are being used, not for the benefit of the animals but for financial gain for circuses and aquariums. I do not believe Seaworlds specious claims that the dolphins in their facilities are well looked after, dolphins natural environment is not in a pool where they are forced to perform mindless “tricks” but to live their lives as a pod of dolphins in the ocean.

I saw footage of a circus elephant swinging his trunk in a discordant environment, this behaviour was assessed by an elephant expert who in his opinion determined his behaviour indicated he was very distressed, again this elephant should have been with his herd in his natural environment, not being exploited.