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

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Non-human animals should not be used in or at any entertainment venue. Dolphins for example, kept captive in tiny water cells which are so far removed from their natural habitat, the ocean where they roam up to 100km a day with their family of other dolphins, in captivity they are forced to entertain a paying gawking public by performing unnaturally in small tanks or pools, they are rewarded with food if they perform correctly in the 'trainers' opinion, if they do not 'perform' they do not eat. Dolphins currently used have been taken from the wild, from their friends and families and forced by humans to perform degrading senseless 'tricks'. We are talking about highly evolved sentient beings who have feelings and emotions, who feel, sadness, fear, hopelessness, joy, love, hope. How dare we keep these highly evolved intelligent beings imprisoned for the sake of so called 'entertainment' for thoughtless mindless humans! There should be no more 'performing' dolphins anywhere in Australia, all dolphins should be returned to the wild, if that is not possible then an ocean sanctuary should be set up, this should happen sooner rather than later. Please don't get started on jobs jobs jobs, nothing justifies slavery.