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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 am opposed to the use of exotic animals and cetaceans for entertainment because these animals don't have any quality of life.

I am also opposed to the breeding of exotic animals or cetaceans because I do not want the continuation of these animals used by the entertainment industry.

It saddens me to see exotic animals in circuses. They are locked up in cages so small that they can only take a few steps, unable to socialise with their own kind, unable to be free. Training methods are harsh and more likely to be fear-based.

Cetaceans suffer greatly in concrete swimming pools. It is not natural for them to be in small spaces. In their natural world, they would swim for many kilometres daily and dive deep as opposed to living in concrete pools. They have a complex family system. Their ocean is their home. They are not ours to use.

We don't need exotic animals or cetaceans to entertain us. There are plenty of activities we can enjoy without harming animals.

Please ban the use of exotic animals and cetaceans for use in entertainment.

Thank you.