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INQUIRY INTO HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF KANGAROOS AND OTHER MACROPODS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Kangaroos remain the victims of the largest commercial slaughter of land based wildlife in the world. They have virtually no protections under the law, with tens of thousands of joeys being violently beaten or decapitated after watching their parents die a slow and painful death. Recently it was also revealed that the NSW kangaroo population is estimated to have plummeted by more than a quarter over the past year, making it very clear that kangaroos are now at serious risk following droughts, bushfire and ongoing slaughter. The situation is extremely urgent. Our beloved wildlife is threatened as never before & we must do whatever it takes to protect them.