

Dear Jacinda Ardern, Let's show the world how kind we are.

We have an opportunity now to show the world that when we say we're kind, we mean it. When we say we have the highest standards for our animals and our people, we're being honest. And when we say our workplaces are safe and we have a sustainable plan for our economy, there are no exceptions.

New Zealand exports tens of thousands of live animals every year. The live export of farmed animals both compromises animal welfare and damages our reputation. Once the animals leave our shores, the effectiveness of the procedures in place to monitor their welfare is uncertain. These sentient land animals are forced to endure weeks of dangerous travel at sea. Most are sent to countries with lower animal welfare standards than New Zealand or no legal protection for animals at all.

Live export is not worth the risk.

As the leaders of New Zealand's leading animal rights organisation, SAFE, and animal welfare organisation, SPCA, we know we can do better – for our animals, our people and our economy. As a nation we have so much more to offer.

Ban live export once and for all.

For the animals,

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