Dear Friends.

There is a Chinese saying. "The strongest memory is only as strong as the weakest ink."

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Perhaps this ink on the enclosed pictures will reinforce the points I am trying to make.

1- We need to end the downed animal trade. These are animals (pictures enclosed) that have illy survived the trip to the slaughterhouse or are too sick or injured to stand or walk on their own, so they are pulled from the trucks and left - suffering or nearly dead. They should not be allowed to be entered the food chain. But they are - in school lunches among other places. There is the risk of bacterial contamination here.

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2- It is nearly impossible to move them humanely. They are typically pushed with tractors or dragged with chains all of which cause broken bones and skin injuries. How would it feel if it were done to you?

3. The stopping marketing these animals would cause small ~~loss~~ loss of money as drowned animals are a small percentage of slaughtered animals.

4- It has been estimated by industry experts that nearly all drowned animals could be stopped by better care and handling. Less injured animals, less loss to the meat industry

If humans, which were not created as meat eaters (our teeth are not designed for tearing) were more sensitive to the suffering of those we feel we

simply meat eat, perhaps the inhumanity we show to our fellow creatures would stop.

Sincerely,

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