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Dear Madam Secretary

(a) practices in the Tasmanian greyhound racing industry, including whether live baiting, 'wastage' and 'draining' of greyhounds is occurring, and if so, to what extent;

The use of live and dead animals as lures (including tanned animal skins) must not be allowed at all.

(b) the role of regulatory authorities in upholding animal welfare standards in the industry and encouraging best practice;

Strategies must be introduced to address the important issues of overbreeding, high wastage, high euthanasia rates, the administration of illicit and banned substances, and injuries suffered during training and racing. Not only do these strategies need to be introduced, but they then need to be implemented and monitored by being adequately resourced.

All greyhounds born into the industry deserve lifelong care and protection. Rehoming programs need to be adequately funded so every greyhound born is rehomed.

At the end of the day greyhound racing is at the detriment of the animal and only benefits the owner by lining his or her pockets. The animal is a disposable commodity if it doesn't deliver.

The cruel practices that have been brought to light in the greyhound racing industry (and indeed the horse racing industry) are at odds with community expectations on how an animal should be treated.

In my opinion - get rid of the industry all together. If you don't, the community expects the highest regulation of the industry to protect the animal that has been thrust in to such a dispicable situation.

Yours sincerely,
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