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April 3, 2012

Dr. Chui Sai On
Chief Executive of the Macau SAR Government
Praia Grande Avenue
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Dear Dr. Chui Sai On,

I am writing to ask your valuable assistance in enforcing the introduction of a rehoming program for greyhounds at the Canidrome. At this time, all greyhounds racing at the Canidrome die within three years. There is no humane end for these gentle dogs.

As you may know, media outlets around the world have reported that thirty greyhounds are killed each month at the Canidrome. Other dogs simply die while racing. News stories have appeared in local papers such as the *Macau Times* as well as in Hong Kong's *South China Morning Post*. *ABC News Australia* and *The Guardian* have also covered this controversy.

Additionally, blogs worldwide have shared our newly-released report on greyhound injuries at the Canidrome. According to The track's own figures, a total of 302 dogs suffered injuries and fifty-four were destroyed during a ten-week period ending December 31, 2011. Our report may be found online at <http://www.grey2kusa.org/pdf/MacauReport.pdf>

Albano Martins of ANIMA recently negotiated with track officials to create a greyhound rehoming program at the Canidrome. The program was to commence on the morning of Monday, April 2. A particular dog named Brooklyn was also to be released into our international network once he finished racing. A written agreement was reportedly signed with your government last week, but Mr. Albano has now learned that track officials do not intend to honor it. No dogs were sent to him, and no dogs will be sent to him unless track officials are forced to comply.

We ask for your immediate intervention. As long as dog racing continues at the Canidrome, greyhounds will be killed while racing. Dog racing should be declared illegal as it is on the mainland, but until then, an adoption program must be created. Otherwise, the reputation of Macau will continue to suffer in the eyes of the world.

We will continue to support ANIMA's efforts until this situation is resolved, and we hope that you will do so as well. Please accept my utmost thanks for your anticipated assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C. A. Dorchak".

Christine A. Dorchak, Esq.
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