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[DATE]

Mark Holland, Minister of Health

Lawrence Macaulay, Minister of Agriculture and Agri -Food

**Re: Save Our Ostriches**

Dear Sirs:

I demand that you halt the senseless killing of healthy animals.

I understand that a court decision has correctly granted a 30 day stay of execution for the Edgewood, BC, Universal Ostrich Farms Herd. Despite that, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has submitted an application to the court to allow them to proceed with the execution of the herd as soon as possible. This application will be heard as early as WEDNESDAY, 12 February, 2025.

I strongly oppose CFIA’s intention to cull these 400 healthy ostriches. Although CFIA alleges that the herd has been exposed to a pathogen and must therefore be killed, they have not only refused to test the herd but have prohibited the owners from testing or treating their own herd on pain of massive fines and imprisonment. These healthy ostriches demonstrate natural immunity, making their culling not only unscientific but also cruel and counterproductive to human health, sustainable farming practices and animal welfare.

This research herd of ostriches is a living laboratory and presents a unique scientific opportunity to study natural immunity and its implications for human health, which could significantly impact future veterinary practices and public health policies.

These animals pose no risk, but the CFIA extermination protocol imposes a very serious risk: it is CFIA which must be curtailed.

I demand you act to halt this senseless killing immediately.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

CC

[Your MP

Your MLA

Your Senators]

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