



Chief Minister
Australian Capital Territory

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Dear Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 3 July 1992 concerning the Japanese city of Nara becoming a sister city to Canberra.

While friendship has existed between Nara and Canberra at a community level, no formal sister city relationship exists at this time.

I note your concern about the particular circumstances you describe as occurring in Nara. It would be inappropriate for me to comment on animal welfare issues in Japan. I have enclosed a copy of the Policy Statement on Animal Welfare which has been developed for the ACT. This document may be of interest to you.

The Animal Welfare Bill 1992 implements the Policy Statement on Animal Welfare. The Bill was passed by the ACT Legislative Assembly on 13 August 1992. I have also enclosed a copy of the Bill for your information.

Yours sincerely

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