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Eiji and Sakae Fujiwara
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Dear Eiji and Sakae:

March 8, 1996

I obtained your name through the Dolphin Gadfly Coalition Directory. I also heard you speak at the Humane Society of the United States meeting in Seattle, Washington. I am seeking help in an investigation Zoocheck Canada is currently conducting into the export of live polar bears from Manitoba, Canada to zoos around the world.

According to our information, several polar bears were shipped to the Kobe Oji Zoo, Aso Bear Park and the Noboribetsu Bear Park in Japan. Do you have any information or visual materials (photos, video, etc.) of these facilities? If not, do you know of any organization or individual who might? I'm particularly interested in obtaining video footage of the polar bear exhibits in these facilities.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Rob Laidlaw
Director