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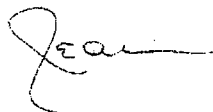
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Dear Elizabeth

Here is the first page of the letter I spoke to you about so you will have the basic information. Thanks for your help.



How do you feel about Kobe City employing professional trappers to set traps to catch the wild boar in the hills near the Futatabi Driveway in Kobe?

I'm sure you're aware of the maiming and slow death that results from these traps: in a panic, the animal either tears or chews off its own leg, in a desperate attempt to escape, only to bleed to a slow and agonizing death some time later.

Kobe City is actually condoning this secret torture of the only few wild animals left in the hills, yet they have the unmitigated gall to post signs in English saying "Wildlife Protection Area." When you actually go into these areas, though, all you see are signs in Japanese, saying that traps have been set.

It goes without saying that children go into these areas to play among these horrible traps, and it's only a matter of time before a child comes home with only a bloody stump where there was once a foot. No amount of bowing and apologizing can ever bring that limb back.