
Very noisy cockerel gets gag order by English court

NEWTON ABBOT, England (Reuter-Kyodo) A noisy cockerel whose nocturnal crowing kept a family awake in an English village was gagged by a British court Friday.

Government officials found the noise reached official nuisance levels, and company di-

rector John Ritchings applied for a court ban on the outpourings of the cockerel, Corky.

A judge in Newton Abbot, southwest England, granted an injunction forbidding Corky's owner from allowing the bird to crow between midnight and 7 a.m.