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Dear Editor,

It was with interest that I have read the letters over the past few weeks to your newspaper about wearing furs.

Martin Green seems to agree that there are reasons for not wearing fur. He states them in his letter 17 February 1993:

- that unintended animal victims are caught in traps;
- that killing methods are inhumane; and
- that wearing fur is absolutely unnecessary.

However, he says he still remains unconvinced. I wonder how many other reasons he needs?

The arguments he presents against the antifur letters are spurious and misleading. The *intentional* exploitation, use and abuse of animals for the financial benefit and vanity of just a few people, is an entirely different matter to that of animals being *unintentionally* killed on roads, and animals living and dying in a natural life cycle in their environment.

Would Martin Green also agree with and support other industries and trades that exist and grow fat and wealthy on the exploitation, pain and suffering of other living, sentient beings - the slave trade, child labour, the arms trade, the exotic animal trade, the ivory trade to name a few?

Yours sincerely,

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