

Should we allow euthanasia of pet dogs and cats? ①

An article of "Mado-window" in the Asahi Shinbun provoked a controversy that is foreign workers put down their cats and dogs when they return to their countries.

It's author said "I admire their choice of euthanasia although they are not necessarily rich to do so."

Just after this comment have mentioned on the paper its reaction was so hot. Over 40 letters bursted into the Asahi Shinbun.

One woman said - the word of euthanasia doesn't apply to killing healthy animals. Their thinking is too selfish. While they have been felt ^{lonely} in foreign countries, they have been keeping pets to heal their loneliness.

99% of pets are supposed to die than their keeper. therefore they should be supported until their death, that is a duty for ^{their} owners.

The content of letters were almost same of here. Others emphasized on the necessity of the operation such as castration and contraception.

One letter strongly opposed euthanasia that is to deal with animal's life of one's own free will is out of question which is extremely egoistic.

It's true there are a lot of sinful people out there. Here, the most important thing is not eliminate the life of alive animals but not to increase the number of newly life. They would lead to unhappy result.