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Dear Sirs:

On behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals and our 500,000 members worldwide, I implore you to take steps to care for the animal victims of the Kobe earthquake. Dogs and cats rely on their human caretakers for food, shelter, and emotional comfort. In turn, many humans find comfort, and relief from stress in the presence of an animal companion.

At this time of great tragedy and confusion, humans and their animal companions need each other more than ever. Please allow earthquake victims to keep their animals with them in the temporary shelters. If you would like, we can provide you with information about animal care or put you in contact with local Japanese groups who would be happy to help care for the animals.

If the government works together with private citizens, families will be spared the painful loss of a beloved animal, and the animals can be spared pain, fear, hunger, and an uncertain future. Please do not allow the victims of this tragedy to suffer an additional, unnecessary loss.

Sincerely,

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