



Bo Ai Animal Protection Centre Of Guangyuan

Dear Mr Huang Haikun:

Distinguished Party Secretary of Yulin City, Guangxi Autonomous Region

The 'Lychee Dog Meat Festival' has entered a countdown and once again it has become the focus of public attention all over the world. It is not only Yulin's business; it is related to people's health and to the safety of cats and dogs in other parts of the country!

The mob killings and dog meat eating in Yulin will likely result in rabies prevention and control efforts failing in Guangxi and even nationally! Tens of thousands of live dogs are transported locally and long distance to Yulin and these dogs are of unknown origin. This is likely to increase rabies and other infectious diseases. If the Yulin municipal government does not ban the dog meat eating, they will not be able to stop the diseases! This result is unthinkable! And are the sources of these dogs legal? The outbreak of rabies is a major issue at present and is a problem that the Yulin government cannot ignore.

To this end we, Bo Ai Animal Protection Centre Of Guangyuan, appeal once again for the killing and eating of dogs to stop!

We hope that you, Mr Huang Haikum, will closely follow the national strategy and implement the 'One Belt, One Road' move towards high end development, provide a deeper implementation of the Food Safety Law and the Animal Epidemic Prevention Law of the People's Republic of China, deepen pragmatic cooperation, promote coordinated development, achieve common prosperity and maintain peace and stability in the region. Lead the people of Yulin to absorb advanced culture and civilization at home and abroad and abandon the habit of "dog meat eating culture" Lead the Yulin leadership to a new growth point.

In order to cooperate with China's Ministry of Agriculture; starting this month we ask you to give special rectification to carry out inspections of animal quarantine certificates and inspections of livestock and poultry numbers.

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According to the achievements and successful experiences of cracking down and outlawing illegal dog meat operations throughout the country, government agencies at all levels in Guangdong, Zhejiang, Shanghai, and Chongqing have suggested the following:

1. Publicize, criticize and educate owners of illegal dog meat operations, severely confiscate raw food materials, revoke all signboards and advertisements, replace menus, issue written rectification notices and ask for the owner's signature.
2. If the relevant laws and regulations are violated again, according to the People's Republic of China Food Safety Law, confiscate illegal income, illegal production and operation of food and tools, equipment, raw materials and other items used in illegal production and management; value of food products for illegal production and operation. If the amount is less than 10,000 Yuan, a fine of between 10,000 Yuan and 50,000 Yuan shall be imposed; if the value of the goods is more than 10,000 Yuan, a fine of between 50,000 Yuan and 100,000 Yuan shall be imposed on the value of the goods.

If the circumstances of the case are serious and the teachings do not change, they should be given heavier punishment, revocation of operating licenses and criminal sanctions should be given for violating the relevant regulations of the National Food Safety Law.

3. Public security and industrial and commercial systems should be jointly dispatched to thoroughly investigate and ban illegal dog meat slaughterhouses. Implement the Law of the People's Republic of China on Animal Epidemic Prevention, The People's Republic of China Livestock Husbandry Law, and The Measures for the Administration of Animal Quarantine. Improve the animal quarantine certificates, the management of livestock and poultry identification, and regarding animal quarantine certificates; there should be a crack down on the purchase and sale and forged and/or altered certificates. Regulating these illegal activities should further regulate the quarantine of animals, reduce the risk of animal disease transmission, and rectify actions.
4. The public security police system should severely crack down on serious criminal activities like the poisoning, theft and trafficking of dogs.

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5. The traffic management departments should strengthen the quarantine, inspection and punishment of illegally transporting live dogs in vehicles on highways to combat illegal dog meat trafficking and transportation activities.

6. The leaders and staff at all levels of the industrial and commercial system, the food and drug supervision and management system and the food safety office should further strengthen the study and training of food safety laws and regulations, increase their ideological awareness, be responsible for the implementation of food safety laws and protect the people. Physical health means feeling safe and happy but the city should also clean up the dining environment and build a new, civilized, Yulin!

We believe that Mr Huang Haikun can certainly implement this!

Signed,

Bo Ai Animal Protection Centre Of Guangyuan.