

Re: Stop the Goat for Gold - Be Humane NOT Cruel

Africa is not a good place to be for goats. In the war torn countries the burning of property includes goats and other livestock. AIDS is a major epidemic and some have resorted to bestiality with goats and other animals to avoid sex with humans. Ritual slaughter also continues.

In Zimbarwee the Department of Livestock and Veterinary states that animal protection services are weak. The principal director, Dr Stuart Hargreaves, revealed that animal handling facilities were in bad shape and grossly inadequate. Dr Hargreaves further explained that disease surveillance was currently at its weakest while there were insufficient services also allocated to small livestock such as poultry, rabbits, sheep, goats and fish.

Lifeforce documented horrific sick, injured, dying and abused animals at the Fraser Valley Auction in 2008 (Report: Lives for Sale). The animal cruelty in Third World Countries are even worse.

We must send poor Africans healthy food, water filtration systems, medicines, seeds, tools, books/education supplies and other donations that help them without causing



animal abuse. The donation seekers show photos of cute goats but not the stressful transport, abusive living conditions and their throats being cut.

Lifeforce urges people to not make any gifts through the Vancouver "Goat for Gold" and the Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) as long as there is the slaughter of goats. This will obviously stop animal cruelty but

also promotes a healthier lifestyle. The influence of developed nations' diet of meat and dairy contributes to global starvation and Global Warming.

This is a horrible way to celebrate the 2010 Olympics. Breeding more goats that will be subject to a miserable life must be stopped. People are misled into thinking that this is part of the Olympics. This must be stopped.