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To whom it may concern,

My name is Sarah Simpson and I was brought up on a sheep and beef suckler farm near Hawick, Scottish Borders. I have been working as a veterinary surgeon in rural practice since qualifying in 1987. Through my personal experiences I have become aware of the necessity to control vermin as part of normal farming practice. In my opinion fox numbers require to be controlled to minimise their effect on the farming industry, for example through lamb and poultry predation.

I also believe that a well-controlled pack of hounds will more effectively flush out a fox than 2 individuals and allow a quicker and more humane death.

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