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Lord Bonomy's Review of the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

I write to express my wish that the Act named above does not change. The Act already bans the kill using dogs; the fox is killed quickly by gun. On our farm we have had livestock pointlessly killed by foxes, including chickens in multiple numbers at a time.

The SSPCA submission to Rural Affairs Committee stated it is not opposed to involving dogs for retrieving or flushing for the purpose of shooting. One or two dogs would not be sufficient; a whole pack is necessary to effectively flush foxes from cover to the guns. Predator control is necessary and it would not be possible with less than a full pack.

The mode of transport is irrelevant, be it on foot, using vehicle or on horseback. In fact the nature of the terrain often necessitates horses and quad bikes. Without the mounted huntsman the pack could not perform their work. It is within the mounted hunts' interest to act within the current law. Further change is unnecessary and undesirable.

I support the conclusion that Rural Affairs accepts the need for fox control and that flushing to guns should be allowed. Farmers need to control foxes on their land and do not want the law changed to stop them doing so.

Regards
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