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Rt. Hon. Lord Iain Bonomy,

Review of the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002,  
Wildlife Management Team,  
Natural Resources Division,  
Directorate for Environment and Forestry,  
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Dear Lord Bonomy,

I am writing to you regarding the above consultation to urge you to ensure that the spirit of the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 is upheld and enforced by banning properly the killing of foxes and other mammals by packs of dogs in Scotland as it is in England and Wales.

I understand that this review has a very restricted remit and, therefore, I would like to suggest how legislation might be tightened to ensure that wild mammals are no longer killed by hounds in Scotland:

- 1: Ban the use of hounds to chase wild mammals deliberately and allow only drag hunting in Scotland.
- 2: Restrict the number of hounds that can be used to flush out foxes to a maximum of two.
- 3: Make it compulsory for hounds to be fitted with suitable muzzles when being used to flush out foxes.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine Heckford-Dickinson

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