Petition in support of: A ban on the use of 1080 in Australia

To the Honourable President and members of the Senate in Parliament assembled:

The petition of the undersigned shows:

Sodium (mono-)fluoroacetate ("1080") is a metabolic poison that is extremely toxic to all aerobic organisms. It blocks the ability of the body to absorb energy from food and results in a slow and inhumane death, typically between 8-24 hours for birds and 2-4 days for large mammals. There is no known antidote. Non-target animals, including companion cats, dogs and native animals, are regularly killed by 1080. They may eat the flesh of previously poisoned animals and thereby suffer the same fate. 1080 can kill up to "third-hand"; that is, the initial animal plus an additional two who scavenge or otherwise ingest the toxin from the body of the first victim. Carcasses remain poisonous until they are completely decomposed. This makes 1080 particularly lethal to unintended victims, including native animals, reptiles, birds, invertebrates, and amphibians. Animals endure vomiting, screaming fits, drooling, seizures, frenzied behaviour and uncontrollable paddling.

The overwhelming majority of countries have banned this chemical. The RSPCA notes that 1080 is not humane. As a nation, we must work towards banning it.

Your petitions ask that the Senate:

Ban 1080 being used in Australia

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