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Dear Mr Thai:

I'm writing on behalf of Hong Kong-based People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) Asia, which has more than 4 million members and supporters worldwide, including many in Singapore. After hearing that ISE Foods Holdings is planning to establish an egg farm in Singapore, we most respectfully urge you to avoid supporting cruelty to animals by stopping this project.

Earlier this year, PETA released <u>video footage</u> taken by a whistle-blower that shows shocking and appalling conditions for chickens on an ISE farm. The news was reported extensively in top Japanese newspapers.

The footage shows hens confined to rows of stacked cages and packed so tightly together that they can barely move, much less spread their wings. Dead chickens are left to rot alongside surviving ones, and many birds are seen covered with inflamed sores. Some hens endured a prolonged and frightening death after becoming trapped under a food trough, but the farm's daily report dismissed these fatalities as a case of birds who had simply become "stuck".

Hens were seen with reproductive tissue protruding from their body, a painful condition. Others suffered from severe abdominal swelling. Sick and injured birds received no veterinary care. The sores on these gentle hens' bodies, the severe abdominal swelling, the painful prolapsed vents, the raw skin, and the rotting corpses left in the cages show the extent of the torment that birds at ISE endure.

The company was caught on camera clearly abusing chickens. We ask that after learning of these findings, Singapore Food Agency refuse to allow ISE to open an egg farm in the country.

We hope you will promote the popular vegan egg products now available in Singapore – which no animals have to suffer for and which are safer for our health and the environment – instead of egg farms.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you about this important matter.

Very truly yours,

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