



GREENPEACE

Mr. Prime Minister Dam:
April 24, 1986
1401 Peaceful Lane
Silver Spring, Maryland 20904

Dear Mr. Dam,

(THE HUNT MUST STOP)

GREENPEACE is calling for an immediate phase-out of an unnecessary and cruel whaling operation in the Faroe Islands.

The Faroes, a protectorate of Denmark, lie in the North Atlantic between Iceland and Scotland. For over four hundred years pilot whales have been herded, driven ashore and slaughtered for meat.

Until the 1980's the meat from these drives was an essential part of the diet of the Faroe people. This meat is now considered a delicacy by a population which today enjoys a high standard of living.

The "roundup" begins when a family group of small cetaceans — very similar to dolphins — is sighted. The hunters launch an armada of power boats to round up the distinctive whales, which aren't much larger than dolphins.

Everything from solsenekers to stones are used to frighten and surround the animals, which are driven in a frenzied panic toward shore. There, the unfortunate whales' fate is sealed when they are trapped in a small bay with all escape routes cut off.

Soon the killing begins. As the hunters chase down their prey, the once-calm waters become a thrashing red sea of death. One by one, all members of the group — including pregnant females, nursing mothers and their newborn calves — are struck in the head with large hooks or gaffs that serve as a "handle" to drag the dying animal onto the beach. The animals' anguish doesn't end until their spinal cords are severed by a sharp knife thrust just behind the blowhole.

This disgusting spectacle is quite simply one of the most horrific and inhumane wildlife slaughters GREENPEACE activists have ever witnessed. And, unless it's outlawed completely, there's bound to be a catastrophic repeat of another atrocity.

There is an alarming parallel to the situation on the Faroes.

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Newfoundland also had a massive pilot whale hunt some 30 years ago that ended abruptly when the population dropped so sharply and so suddenly that there weren't even 20 pilot whales left to catch.

There are unmistakable warning signs that this tragedy could soon be repeated in the Faroes, where the pilot whale population has increased three-fold in recent years.

GREENPEACE campaigners are committed to saving these threatened whales. In order to reduce hunt levels immediately, the case of the pilot whales is being brought before the International Whaling Commission's Subcommittee on Humane Killing — a body that can provide the international consensus it will take to make Prime Minister Dam honor his pledge.

The pressure is on: we have a tremendous amount of work to do right now if we are to have a decision by the July IWC meeting. Intensive documentation is still required and therefore scientists must be urged to testify at the IWC on behalf of GREENPEACE ... and then put relentless international pressure on the IWC to speak out against the cruelty.

If we can beat the clock, we will have done more than spare thousands of pilot whales — we will have made a giant leap forward in the protection of dolphins, belugas, porpoises and all small cetaceans.

You see, pilot whales aren't really whales ... at least not in the eyes of the IWC. So the hard-won IWC commercial whaling moratorium protects only the biggest whales, not the many other species who will be hunted ruthlessly once the commercial moratorium goes into effect.

But while a victory for pilot whales is essential to protect all marine mammals, procreation risks terrible dangers. Unless we take advantage of the extraordinary opportunity in the Faroes immediately, we may be too late.

When you send GREENPEACE a tax-deductible donation of \$20, \$30, \$50 or more — today — you'll make a crucial difference in our campaign to save the pilot whales ... and the other marine mammals.

On behalf of the GREENPEACE team in the field, thank you for reaffirming your support of GREENPEACE at this critical juncture.

Sincerely,

Doug Falkner

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Administrative Director
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P.S. Your contribution will help GREENPEACE put much-needed pressure on the Faroe government ... and your postcard will remind Prime Minister Dam that the world is watching.

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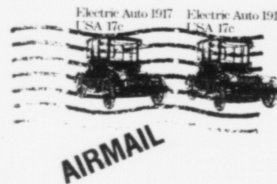
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Á brævinum, sum lands-

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AIRMAIL

Dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I strongly object to the continued large-scale and unregulated slaughter of pilot whales in the Faroe Islands. I commend your decision to abide by the recommendations of the IWC and its subcommittees, I urge you to take immediate steps to curtail the killing by prohibiting both the use of gaffs and bays which lack beaches.

Thank you,

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