DR MOLEFE'S REPLY

From: **Mphane Molefe** <<u>MphaneM@dalrrd.gov.za</u>> Date: Wed, May 22, 2024 at 6:18 AM Subject: RE: COMMERCIAL:Help stop live export To: Humane Education <education@naturebased.online> Cc: Anndrea Yelliah <<u>AnndreaY@dalrrd.gov.za</u>>

Good Afternoon

Thanks for the document. I find the reporting bias to sensationalise one matter by using a completely different matter. If you look at the photo of the slaughtered animal, it reflects a practice of the slaughtering of an animal in Mauritius, which does not have any direct relationship which the source of an animal. The slaughtering as reflected on the photograph, could have been on cattle produced locally in Mauritius.

- 1. Is your narrative that this happens only to animals that are sourced from South Africa?
- 2. Why is South Africa featuring prominently on the headlines and in the story as if South Africa is responsible for the way the animal was slaughtered?
- 3. If the animal was flown by air to Mauritius, would your narrative have been the same?
- 4. Do you have evidence that the bull as reflected on the photograph is from South Africa, and if so, please provide evidence.
- 5. In your understanding, at what point does an animal exported from South Africa stop being a South African animal? Is this a South African bull or a bull imported from South Africa?

Your story, which is about the way animals are slaughtered and compliance with the UN right of the child, has nothing to do with South Africa in this instance and you are merely using the name of the country maliciously to achieve a narrative of dealing with exportation of live animal by sea.

Regards

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