

Not rescued in time!



Welfare for Animals in Greece/Welfare for Animals Global, Inc., a non-profit organization, has produced a dramatic 5 minute documentary video detailing systematic animal abuse, torture and neglect throughout Greece. Over twenty hours of footage have been condensed to produce this informative, indisputable and shocking presentation. It is now accessible online at <http://www.ua4a.org/Greece.mov> Digital copies are freely available to the broadcast press.

Please note: you must have a broadband connection and QuickTime installed on your computer to view the film.

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Greek government officials, government-contracted animal "welfare" agencies and the 2004 Athens Organizing Committee are making a frantic last ditch effort to "tidy up" their city. They continue to deny allegations of the ongoing mass poisoning of abandoned dogs, and maltreatment of companion animals as Greece prepares to take center stage for the 2004 Olympic Games.

Those of us who have lived in Greece and travel there regularly have joined with local animal advocates to expose Greece's unprecedented inhumanity towards dogs, cats and livestock. Our efforts have produced an international outpouring of support. We believe, along with a growing global community, that any responsible press coverage of this year's Olympics must reveal the reality of thousands of animals' tortured destruction for cosmetic reasons. Greece's desperate attempts to conceal their barbarity must not stand unchallenged. As the world now focuses its lens on Athens, we have the unique opportunity --- and responsibility --- to effect lasting change.

Among our activities, we are asking that concerned citizens contact the following officials to demand an immediate halt to abuse, neglect and the mass poisoning of Greek dogs throughout the Olympic venues and beyond:

Deputy Minister of Agriculture
Alexandros Kontos
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Minister of Tourism
Dimitris Avramopoulos

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Petros Molyviatis
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Greek Ambassador to the US
George Savvaides
evie@greekembassy.org

Minister Theodoros Roussopoulos
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We are also in the process of organizing a peaceful protest rally at the Greek Consulate this Tuesday, August 10th at 12 noon.

Marijo Gillis, founder of **Welfare for Animals in Greece**, lives in Manhattan and is available for interviews.

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