







Dear MP,

"I would like to state my opposition to the LEGAL trade in primates as pets in Great Britain today. We believe that it is the responsibility of the Government to ensure that any captive monkeys receive a standard of care that meets their behavioural and physical needs regardless of whether they are kept in private homes or pet shops.

We are asking the British Government to issue guidance to local authorities, responsible for granting licences for these exotic pets, to use the same standard of duty of care as they would for primates kept in zoos or wildlife parks (the Zoo Licencing Act 1981). If a monkey is deserving of a certain standard of care in a zoo or wildlife park, by definition it is deserving of the same standard of care in a private home or pet shop. We would like our concerns addressed by the Government and Select Committee immediately."

Monkey World - Ape Rescue Centre in Dorset has collected **110,764** signatures in their petition. I support this petition and would like you to address the situation in parliament as soon as possible.

Yours Sincerely	