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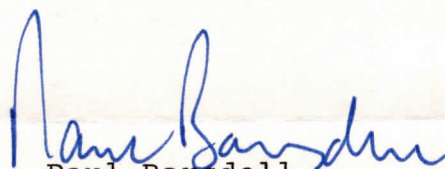
Ms J. Heard
Secretary
South Bendigo Branch of the
Combined Egg Producers' Association
Wicks Road
MAIDEN GULLY VIC 3551

Dear Ms Heard,

Thank you for your letter of 2 May 1984
on the subject of caged birds in the poultry industry.

I shall draw your letter to the attention
of the Committee.

Yours sincerely,


Paul Barsdell
Secretary

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Animal Rights Select Committee.
Parliament House
Canberra.

Dear Sirs,

Members of the Bendigo and South Bendigo branches of the Commercial Egg Producers' Association wish to point out the prevailing conditions of caged birds in the poultry industry.

Members support and abide by The Australian Code of Animal Welfare Practice on the Domestic Fowl, which sets standards for the accommodation, health, food and water, inspection and management requirements of poultry.

Under these conditions birds are extremely healthy, which is shown in the low mortality rates, and the fact that laying percentages are high shows the absence of stress, good nutrition and temperature control.

Healthy, contented birds are essential for good production so this goes hand in hand with good management and humane principles.

Yours faithfully,

J. Heard. (Joan Heard.)

Sec. Sth. Bendigo Branch C.E.P.A.