

## NOTA DE IMPRENSA

### DIREITOS HUMANOS: ESCÂNDALO NA ÁUSTRIA

Organizações não governamentais expressam preocupação pelo que pode ser um caso de repressão do estado contra activismo social.

Em 21 de Maio de 2008, às 6 da manhã, polícia de elite fortemente armada arrombou 21 casas e escritórios de várias organizações não governamentais na Áustria. Abrindo caminho à força, polícias mascarados cercaram civis assustados nas suas camas, apontando-lhes armas de fogo. Dez pessoas foram presas e têm sido mantidas sob custódia sem qualquer acusação específica desde então. Apesar da afirmação pelo Ministro do Interior Austríaco que “As medidas tomadas pela polícia (...) não foram de forma nenhuma dirigidas contra os direitos dos animais ou as associações de direitos dos animais”, o confisco de computadores, documentos e outros bens debilitou fortemente algumas das organizações envolvidas.

As organizações signatárias solicitam à imprensa que preste atenção ao facto da Amnistia Internacional (1) e do Partido Ecologista Austríaco terem reagido fortemente, questionando os métodos da polícia e o tratamento dados aos detidos, particularmente a ausência de provas sólidas que justifiquem a “razoável suspeita” (dringender Tatverdacht) ou a “causa provável” (Haftgrund) para as detenções. Os relatos dos detidos do que aconteceu são alarmantes: veja-se, por exemplo, o apelo enviado por Martin Balluch em 9 de Junho (2).

Nos anos mais recentes conseguiram-se na Áustria reformas marcantes na lei de protecção animal, incluindo proibição de produzir de casacos de peles, criação intensiva de galinhas de aviário e o uso de animais selvagens em circos.

Devem aqueles que conseguiram estes avanços e são, por isso, um exemplo para o resto do mundo, ser culpados por todos os casos não resolvidos de danos nas propriedades Austríacas, nos últimos onze anos?

*“Todos os cidadãos têm o direito de activamente tomar posição a favor ou contra o que quer que seja. É particularmente importante tomar posição pelos direitos dos animais, porque os animais não podem falar por si mesmos. As pessoas devem fazê-lo por eles. Os animais, tal como todos os indefesos, dependem desta protecção.”*  
(Elfriede Jelinek, Prémio Nobel da Literatura 2004) (3)

Devem as organizações que lutam pelos animais, e que sempre têm agido de forma pacífica e dentro das disposições legais, ter as suas condições de funcionamento debilitadas pela confiscação dos seus bens?

As organizações signatárias expressam profunda preocupação pelo que parece ser uma tentativa de criminalizar os movimentos de defesa dos animais e de minar a liberdade política de quem está envolvido neles.

Informação em Alemão e Inglês está disponível na página da Associação Contra Explorações Animais (Verein Gegen Tierfabriken): [www.vgt.at](http://www.vgt.at).

(1) [http://www.vgt.at/presse/news/2008/news20080605\\_1\\_en.php](http://www.vgt.at/presse/news/2008/news20080605_1_en.php)

(2) [http://www.vgt.at/presse/news/2008/news20080613\\_2\\_en.php](http://www.vgt.at/presse/news/2008/news20080613_2_en.php)

(3) <http://www.evana.org/index.php?id=34576&lang=en>

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[www.oneworldscotland.com](http://www.oneworldscotland.com)

Scotland, UK

>Aequo Animo

<http://www.aequoanimo.com/>

Canada

>AGfaN e.V.

<http://www.tierschutz-landwirtschaft.de/>

Germany

>AgireOra Network

<http://www.agireora.org>

Italy

>Aktionsgemeinschaft Schweizer Tierversuchsgegner - AG STG

[www.agstg.ch](http://www.agstg.ch)

Switzerland

>Alliance for Animal Rights (AFAR)

[www.afarireland.org](http://www.afarireland.org)

Ireland

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>Alliance for Animals' Rights Europe

[www.drgrabowski.com](http://www.drgrabowski.com)

Germany

>animal 2000 - Menschen für Tierrechte Bayern e.V.

<http://www.animal2000.de>

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>Animal Activist Network News

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>Animal Aid Unlimited

[www.animalaidunlimited.com](http://www.animalaidunlimited.com)

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>Animal Aid Charitable Trust

[www.animalaidunlimited.com](http://www.animalaidunlimited.com)

India

>Animal Concern

[www.animalconcern.com](http://www.animalconcern.com)

Scotland, UK

>Animal Liberation  
[www.animalliberation.it](http://www.animalliberation.it)  
Italy

>Animal Liberation Israel" (A.L.I.)  
[www.free.org.il](http://www.free.org.il)  
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>Animal Log  
<http://www.Animal-TV.org>  
Israel

>AnimalNepal  
[www.animalnepal.org](http://www.animalnepal.org)  
Nepal

>animal peace e.V.  
<http://www.animal-peace.org>  
Germany

>Animal Re-homing  
<http://www.petsonthenet.co.nz/animalrehoming>  
[http://www.cisforcats.co.nz/rescue/linda\\_nunn\\_\\_animals\\_re\\_homing.htm](http://www.cisforcats.co.nz/rescue/linda_nunn__animals_re_homing.htm)  
New Zealand

>Animal Rights Action Network  
[www.aran.ie](http://www.aran.ie)  
Ireland

>Animal Rights Media  
[www.AnimalRights.nl](http://www.AnimalRights.nl)  
The Netherlands

>Anonymous for Animal Rights  
<http://www.anonymous.org.il/english.htm>  
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[www.aapn.org](http://www.aapn.org)

>Animal Friends Croatia  
<http://www.prijatelj-zivotinja.hr>

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>Ärzte gegen Tierversuche e.V.  
[www.aerzte-gegen-tierversuche.de](http://www.aerzte-gegen-tierversuche.de)  
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>Asociacion civil amigos de los animales  
y las plantas de la Republica Argentina  
[www.amigosdelosanimales.cjb.net](http://www.amigosdelosanimales.cjb.net)  
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>Association Amicha  
<http://www.amicha.org/>  
France

>Association Chev-Ane  
<http://assoschevane.free.fr>  
France

>Association Coloca Terre  
<http://www.colocaterre.net>  
France

>Association of Hunt saboteurs (AOHS)  
[www.huntsabsireland.org](http://www.huntsabsireland.org)  
Ireland

>Association Végétarienne de France  
[www.vegetarisme.fr](http://www.vegetarisme.fr)  
France

>Associazione Dogwelcome  
[www.dogwelcome.it](http://www.dogwelcome.it)  
Italy

>Associazione "Il Piccolo Popolo"  
[www.piccolopopolo.org](http://www.piccolopopolo.org)  
Italy

>Associazione LaCincia Onlus  
<http://www.lacincia.it>  
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>Associazione LIDA (Lega Italiana dei diritti dell'Animale)  
sezione di Messina  
[www.lidasicilia.netsons.org](http://www.lidasicilia.netsons.org)  
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>Auvergne Végétarienne Attitude / AVA  
<http://collectif.ava.free.fr/>  
France

>AVIS  
<http://avis.free.fr>  
France

>Azam for Animals  
<http://www.freewebs.com/azamsiddiqui>  
India

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[www.bwcsa.co.za](http://www.bwcsa.co.za)  
South Africa

>Bite Back  
<http://www.biteback.be/>  
Belgium/The Netherlands

>"bündnis tierrechte"  
[www.tie-re.de](http://www.tie-re.de)  
Germany

>Campaign Against Animals in Research Experiments  
[www.caare.org.uk](http://www.caare.org.uk)  
Scotland, UK

>Campaign Against Factory Farming (CAFF)  
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>Care for Cows  
[www.careforcows.org](http://www.careforcows.org)  
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>Catholic Concern for Animals  
[www.Catholic-animals.org](http://www.Catholic-animals.org)  
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>Centro Vegetariano

<http://www.centrovegetariano.org>  
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>Chester Action to Prevent Animal Suffering

[www.capas.org.uk](http://www.capas.org.uk)  
UK

>Chester Vegetarians and Vegans

<http://www.chester.veggroup.org/index.html>  
UK

>CircusLeed

[www.circusleed.nl](http://www.circusleed.nl)  
The Netherlands

>CLAM (Collectif Libération Animal de Montpellier)

<http://clam34.org/>  
France

>CLEDA

<http://cleda.over-blog.com>  
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>Club des Amis de la Nature et des animaux

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>Collectif antispéciste de Genève

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>Committee to Abolish Sport Hunting

<http://all-creatures.org/cash/index.html>  
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>Cornwall's Voice for Animals

<http://www.cornwallsvoiceforanimals.org/Welcome.html>  
<http://www.myspace.com/cvfa>  
UK

>Društvo za osvoboditev živali in njihove pravice

<http://www.osvoboditev-zivali.org/>  
Slovenia

>Divietodaccesso

[www.divietodaccesso.org](http://www.divietodaccesso.org)  
Italy

>Djurrattsalliansen

(Animal Rights Alliance)  
[www.djurrattsalliansen.se](http://www.djurrattsalliansen.se)

Sweden

>Droits des animaux  
[www.droitsdesanimaux.net](http://www.droitsdesanimaux.net)  
France

>Edinburgh Fur Free City  
[www.bunnyhuggers.org.uk](http://www.bunnyhuggers.org.uk)  
Scotland, UK

>éditions tahin party  
<http://tahin-party.org/>  
France

>Eläinoikeusyhdistys Fauna ry  
[www.fauna.fi](http://www.fauna.fi)  
Finland

>Empatia  
<http://empatia.pl/>  
Poland

>Equal Justice Alliance  
[www.EqualJusticeAlliance.org](http://www.EqualJusticeAlliance.org)  
USA

>Equanimal  
[www.equanimal.org](http://www.equanimal.org)  
Spain

>European Vegetarian & Animal News Alliance (EVANA)  
[www.evana.org](http://www.evana.org)  
International

>EVA (Ethical Vegetarian Alternative)  
<http://www.vegetarisme.be/>  
Belgium

>Farm Animal Rights Movement  
[www.FARMUSA.org](http://www.FARMUSA.org)  
USA

>Fundación Equanimal  
[www.equanimal.org](http://www.equanimal.org)  
Spain

>GlobeTransformer.org  
[www.GlobeTransformer.org](http://www.GlobeTransformer.org)  
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>Hund & Co e.V.  
www.hund-und-co.de  
Germany

>Hunt Saboteurs Association  
www.huntsabs.org.uk  
UK

>International Movement Against Bullfights  
www.iwab.org  
Portugal

>International Organization for Animal Protection (OIPA INDIA)  
www.oipa.org  
India

>Kind Translators / Traducteurs pour  
le traitement éthique des animaux  
www.kindtranslators.com  
Canada

>L214  
www.l214.com  
France

>La Boucle Verte  
<http://www.laboucleverte.org/>  
France

>LAC Italian League Against Hunting  
www.abolizionedecaccia.it  
Italy

>LAC Lega Abolizione Caccia  
Sezione Veneto  
<http://www.lacveneto.it/>  
Italy

>La Criée



<http://lacriee.free.fr>  
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>Landauer Tierrettung e.V.  
[www.tierrettungev.de](http://www.tierrettungev.de)  
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>MATP - Movimento Anti-Touradas de Portugal  
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[www.tierrechte.de](http://www.tierrechte.de)  
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>Menschen für Tierrechte Nürnberg e.V.  
[www.tierrechte-nuernberg.de](http://www.tierrechte-nuernberg.de)  
Germany

>Menschen für Tierrechte Nürnberg e.V. -  
Arbeitsgruppe Würzburg  
[www.tierrechte-wuerzburg.de](http://www.tierrechte-wuerzburg.de)  
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Animal Protection Trust  
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>National Anti Vivisection Campaign  
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Germany

>Neformalna pobuda za pravice živali  
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Slovenia

>Nettverk for dyrs frihet  
(Network for animal freedom)  
[www.dyrsfrihet.no](http://www.dyrsfrihet.no)  
Norway

>New Zealand Centre for Human-Animal Studies  
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[www.nzchas.canterbury.ac.nz](http://www.nzchas.canterbury.ac.nz)

>New Zealand Open Rescue  
[www.openrescue.org](http://www.openrescue.org)  
<http://www.youtube.com/NZOpenRescue>

New Zealand

>New Zealand Vegetarian Society Incorporated  
[www.vegsoc.org.nz](http://www.vegsoc.org.nz)  
New Zealand

>New Zealand Vegetarian Society Incorporated  
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[www.vegsoc.org.nz](http://www.vegsoc.org.nz)  
New Zealand

>NoVivisezione.org  
[www.NoVivisezione.org](http://www.NoVivisezione.org)  
Italy

>Österreichischer Tierschutzverein  
[www.tierschutzverein.at](http://www.tierschutzverein.at)  
Austria

>OïKOS KAÏ BIOS Patrimoine Nature et Vie  
<http://oikoskaibios.monsite.orange.fr>  
France

>OIPA International  
<http://www.oipa.org>  
Italy

>Oltre la Specie Onlus  
[www.oltrelaspecie.org](http://www.oltrelaspecie.org)  
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>Palawan Animal Welfare Association, Inc.  
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>People for Animals Haryana  
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>PETA France  
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>PETA Deutschland e.V.  
[www.peta.de](http://www.peta.de)  
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>Protecting Animal in Democracy  
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>Réseau antispéciste  
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>Respect voor Dieren  
[www.respectvoordieren.nl](http://www.respectvoordieren.nl)  
The Netherlands

>SAVE OUR FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (SOFA)  
[www.sofakandy.org](http://www.sofakandy.org)  
Sri Lanka

>Save the Beagles Campaign  
[www.varc.org.nz](http://www.varc.org.nz)  
New Zealand

>Scottish Animal Rights Alliance  
[www.animalrightsalliance.org.uk](http://www.animalrightsalliance.org.uk)  
Scotland, UK

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>Societatea Vegetarienilor din Romania  
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>SOS LEVRIERS  
<http://www.sos-levriers.org>  
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Brazil

>Swiss Union for Vegetarianism  
<http://www.vegetarismus.ch/>  
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>Tierrechtsverein CANIS  
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>Transnational Perspectives  
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>Uncaged Campaigns  
www.uncaged.co.uk  
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>Unión Vegetariana Española  
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Spain

>U.P.L.A. ("Unis Pour Les Animaux")  
<http://www.upla.info>  
Switzerland

>Vallevegan  
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Italy

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www.vegan.at  
Austria

>Veganerei  
www.veganerei.de  
Germany

>VeganHome  
www.veganhome.it  
Italy

>Vegetarierbund Deutschland (VEBU)  
www.vebu.de  
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>Vegi Info  
<http://www.vegetarisme.ch/be/index.htm>  
Belgium

>VegNord  
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France

>Verband Österreichischer Tierschutzorganisationen  
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India

>Viva! Foundation  
Poland  
[www.viva.org.pl](http://www.viva.org.pl)

>Viva!  
[www.viva.org.uk](http://www.viva.org.uk)  
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UK

>VIVO [Comitato per un Consumo Consapevole]  
<http://www.consumoconsapevole.org>  
Italy

>voice-design  
[www.voice-design.de](http://www.voice-design.de)  
Germany

>we have a dream  
[www.wehaveadream.info](http://www.wehaveadream.info)  
Italy

>West Lothian Animal Rights & Veggies  
[www.freewebs.com/wlarv](http://www.freewebs.com/wlarv)  
Scotland, UK

>wildlife-and outdoorconservation  
<http://www.wildlifefoundation.info>  
The Netherlands

>Wildlife Watch  
<http://wildwatch.org>  
USA