

Stop the horrendous long distance transport of live animals



Start journey: 7 March 2002 – Bunnink the Netherlands
 Load : 500 fattening pigs
 End journey: 10 March 2002 – Chalkis in Greece
 Total journey time: 90 hours – no water available – no rest – animals left on the vehicle
Result : 40 dead piglets – others suffering from heat and dehydration

Eurogroup is calling on the Council to consider

- the vote of March 2004 of the European Parliament in support of a journey time limit
- Scientific evidence from the EU's Scientific Committee on Animal Health and Animal Welfare showing that for animals unaccustomed to loading and unloading the journeys should be as short as possible
- the Treaty Protocol on Animal Welfare which is a legal obligation to pay full regard to the welfare of animals when formulating legislation

Eurogroup and the millions of European citizens it is representing urge Ministers to bring an end to the unnecessary suffering of farm animals by introducing a maximum journey time limit for farm animals

