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le Dalai-Lama*

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Dear friends,

I take the opportunity of the « Make Fur History” exhibition to wish you all a wonderful new year 2018.

I truly wish that the authorities will finally understand that the fur market is a disastrous trade, and that behind the luxurious scenes of the fashion shows, horrific conditions of seizure, detention and slaughter are happening.

Today, no one ignores this. We have reached the time of awareness and decision. Decision to stop this market of sufferance and death. Wearing fur is not vital nowadays, and plenty of alternatives exist.

Polls clearly demonstrate that the majority of European citizens consider fur farming as unacceptable. Several member states of the EU have or about to ban this industry, such as in the United Kingdom, Austria, Croatia, Slovenia, etc.

I wish to congratulate the Polish MEPs of the ECR that are co-organising this event. I hope that Poland will also pass this ban soon.

I would also like to encourage all our European MEPs to support the proposals to ban the production of fur in the member states of the EU where this is not in place yet. The Fur industry belongs to the past.

It is time for the EU to leave the past behind and say no to this useless sufferance.

I fully count on your support and I send you 2018 kisses of hope.

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