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Dear Ms. Bartels,

Please allow me to express my disappointment regarding your request of inspecting Morgan by Dr. Visser in November this year. You are supporting your request in seven reasons taking them for granted, without even considering the possibility to ask us about its verosimilitude, thus not giving any credit to our company or our professional staff.

I do not understand, for example, why there is a need of weighting Morgan accompanied by a Notary Public, unless you are suggesting that we are trying to hide or manipulate the weekly weights of our animals. The last time Morgan was weighted (22/9/2010) we measured 1.617 Kg, that is double that when she came to LP in 2011 and four times her weight when rescued. Since her arrival her weight has never experienced a significant drop.

The integration process for Morgan has been successful. She is well adjusted, healthy and has assimilated with the other killer whales at Loro Parque. Research projects involving her are now underway. There is no concern about Morgan's health. She is regularly monitored by our own veterinarian team and also by independent veterinarians, internationally acknowledged experts in cetacean medicine. None of them has ever expressed any concern since Morgan is in our facilities.

The integration process of Morgan was supervised by the local CITES authorities and the Environmental Department of the Regional Government. The regional government of the Canary Islands regularly inspects our facilities under the Spanish zoo law (31/2003, transposed from the EU Zoo Directive) and we reported regularly on Morgan's during her integration process. If you have any questions on Morgan, please address them to the competent authorities.

Loro Parque has always willing to cooperate with any animal welfare organization, and we are proud to be transparent about our animal management standards. Nevertheless, we do not see the legitimacy of your organization and which is the added value of your experts observing Morgan. In fact, we can't trust the good intentions of Dr. Visser, as she intentionally misused and manipulated information to discredit our organization and our animal



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management standards in the past. Last year Dr. Visser refused our invitation to have access to the holding area of the orcas and, instead of make judgments based on scientific data; she just tried to discredit our organization in Court with manipulated information. As a consequence, we cannot accept any monitoring of Morgan involving Dr. Ingrid Visser.

For all the above mentioned reasons, I must reject your request of inspection by Dr. Visser. We invite you to continue to follow Morgan's progress as through our webpage and social media. You are also free to visit Loro Parque as you already did, from the public area.

Yours sincerely,



Wolfgang Kiessler



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