



# **FARM** **Farm Animal Rights Movement** *"Saving Our Planet - One Bite at a Time"*

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## **Media Advisory**

**WHAT:** Picketing of the Austrian Embassy with signs and posters

**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-1:30pm

**WHERE:** At the Austrian Embassy, 3524 International Court NW (Van Ness Station on Red Line)

**WHY:** To protest Austrian jailing without charges of ten animal activists on hunger strike

**DETAILS:** Ten Austrian animal rights activists have been held without charges or evidence at the Wiener Neustadt prison since May 21<sup>st</sup>, following commando-type raids by the elite Austrian WEGA police. Seven, including President of the Austrian Association Against Animal Factories Professor Martin Balluch, are on a hunger strike and becoming very weak.

**We demand that the Austrian authorities immediately release the hostages or present valid charges.**

As a respected member of the European Union and the family of nations, Austria must not act in a manner reminiscent of its World War II regime.

The Austrian Embassy press office may be reached at 202-895-6700.

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