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Press release

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NBSK supports NKK in the fight for dogs' welfare

The Norwegian Bernese Mountain Dog Club (NBSK) would like to express their support to the Norwegian Kennel Club's (NKK) ongoing battle to improve dogs' welfare in China.

This summer, China was elected host for the World Dog Show in 2019 by the FCI General Assembly. NKK has been running an active battle ever after; both to place dog welfare on the agenda in the FCI, and to change a decision that delegates one of the world's most important and prestigious shows to a country where the dog lacks welfare, protection and rights.

It's easy to focus blindly on shows, championships and titles in the international work for dogs, and thus it's important to prove that we can work multinationally to secure dogs in other countries the same life conditions which we have fought for and are still working for here in Norway and other countries.

NBSK supports NKK in the work they're doing for the dog of China. FCI has warned about sanctions if NKK doesn't withdraw their critique, and we in NBSK are prepared to deal with the consequences that may be. International solidarity for our four-legged best friend seems to us the most important.

Furthermore, with this press release NBSK would like to encourage their sister clubs to put pressure on their respective kennel clubs, so that they too will raise to the occasion and support NKK. Recently, The Swedish Kennel Club announced their support. If more member countries of FCI stand together in this battle, it will obviously be easier to reach impact.

NKK has as their slogan «Dog to our joy and advantage» - let us together make sure that the dog remains to our advantage, without being taken advantage of.

For more information, see

<http://web2.nkk.no/?module=Articles&action=Article.publicOpen&id=1629>

On behalf of the board of NBSK,
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