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Submission: I strongly believe that the armed forces should not be killing our wildlife, specifically kangaroos for any reason. Kangaroos are NOT the enemy! They have been living here harmoniously with the land for 16 million years. The enemy is livestock and human urbanisation destroying and polluting habitat and turning the country into deserts.

Please learn to live in harmony with these grazers who help regenerate grasslands and are not a threat to either grasslands or endangered species. And please do not interfere with their populations in any way, they can manage their own populations. The most important contribution humans can make to the landscape is to manage THEIR OWN populations!

If absolutely necessary to move them then please develop wildlife corridors and use humane relocation with experts such as Australia Zoo and David Croft who are capable to creating some solid science to show how it can be done with low fatality.

I am beyond appalled at the recent "cull" at Belconnen (with all the pseudo reasons for the need for it: cost factors - starving roos - endangered species at nauseum) in Canberra and also the slaughter of 400 wallabies in N.T. at the military airport. Every one of these animals could have continued their life elsewhere in peace.

These animals are on our coat of arms, are a major tourist attraction (if only tourists could find any besides in zoos) we should be proud of them!

We already have enough facts proving that they are NOT in plague proportions NOR are they a pest. They don't need to be "CULLED".

It's hard enough with the drought wiping out half of them, farmers wiping out millions every year (even though kangaroos don't compete with livestock), the kangaroo industry, illegal kills, violent joey deaths when their mother is killed, hunters, road kill etc without the government joining in the killing frenzy!

Please, take the military out of the killing of our native wildlife scenario. They are not enemies and you don't need to defend Australia or Australians from them!

Unless of course you are at war with Nature, which is something I haven't heard Kevin Rudd declare yet?

Sincerely

I agree to my submission being published on the Defence website

I agree to my submission being quoted in the Community Consultation Report