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Subject: REPORT OF RESCUE ORGANISATION

To whom it may concern

I called through to the inspectorate line for the Cape of Good Hope SPCA this morning to report a rescue organisation for what I believe is neglect and withholding of proper treatment for sick animals. I was told to email what I know and what evidence I have to this email.

The rescue is called Loving Paws Rescue, the head of the organisation's name is Nadia Diedericks, her cellphone number is 0795963336. Her address is 52 Affodil Street Ruwari Brackenfell.

Currently what is happening is that the organiser of this rescue does not have adequate resources to look after the amount of animals that have been taken on by the rescue, and the animals are suffering for it. Currently she has at least 4 different litters of puppies as well as kittens from different litters staying in cages in a room in her house. Some of these puppies have been tested positive for Canine parvovirus, and are not being properly treated. Animals are dying under her care. There are animals currently in multiple different fosters that are not being looked after properly because their fosters have not been given medication and instructions from the organisation to be able to treat them. This issue is larger than just her house, there are so many animals currently under her care and her responsibility as she is the head of the organisation and we, as fosters, rely on her to provide advice and medication so that the rescued animals can get well enough to be adopted out, but she is currently so overwhelmed and struggling with money so much so that she is not able to give that to us.

From my experience, when I arrived at her house the 4 kittens that I was supposed to foster were kept in a small cage in a room full of puppies and other animals, getting let out an hour per day. They were all sick, sneezing and discharge coming from their noses and eyes, and very scared and not used to human contact at all. We were given a bottle of eyedrops to treat them with which had maybe 2 doses of medication left which was not enough to treat the 4 kittens. I was told these kittens were vaccinated, dewormed and given treatment for fleas, but that was not the case. She organised adoption days for some of the kittens and puppies, where the animals were kept in cages or pens without litter boxes, no food and barely any water, kept for the hours outside in the heat. The kittens were not healthy enough to be adopted but she still insisted they need to be at the adoption days. She ended up putting another kitten with our kittens who we were told a while after has feline herpes, and we were not told that she should be kept separate and I fear that the disease has been spread to the other kittens we had. One of which is now being held with other kittens and the organiser has been withholding information regarding the infected kitten from the other foster, so again they haven't been kept separate. We currently have 2 kittens in our care, the one with feline herpes and one from the original litter. We are still not being given proper medication for them and I am at a point where this has gone further than what I can control and that is why I am reporting the situation, so that hopefully something can be done to intervene and help.

I have to reiterate how broad this neglect reaches as it is affecting so many animals in many different homes, not just hers. But her house will be an indication of just how bad things have become, so I really advise sending someone to do an inspection to the address I gave, and for an investigation to be done with regards to this organisation, where I'm sure the neglect will become apparent. I understand that the intention of the organisation was not to harm these animals, but that is what is currently

happening.

I will attach some images and screenshots that have some information and show some of the animals in her care.

Screenshots of the organisation's group chat which currently has 45 members.

The adoption day where you can see the small silver cage in the back where the kittens were being held with just water and no litter boxes, as well as pens where puppies and kittens were being held outside with no food or water.

Screenshots of what was sent to me regarding the kittens that I agreed to foster. Proof that they were being kept with dogs and in a cage for most of the day.

Videos of the kittens given to us to look after with no medication. The orange one turned out to have feline herpes. The other one is now in someone else's care, she was fetched weeks after we told Nadia that she wasn't well.

Just some of the animals that have been posted on the group recently that are either in her care or in fosters around Cape Town.

There are large numbers of puppies being kept at her house, too many to be looked after properly.

Please, I urge you to help as this cannot continue any longer. I am waiting for more evidence and information from other fosters of the organisation, which I will send through once been received.

Please let me know if there is any other information I can give you, and don't hesitate to contact me on this email or my cellphone, 0828973878.

Thank you so much for your time and assistance.

Kind regards,

Aimee Weeks

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