



18th August 2021

Prime Minister - Right Honourable Boris Johnson MP
Foreign Secretary - Right Honourable Dominic Raab MP

Dear Prime Minister / Dear Foreign Secretary

We would like to draw your attention to the plight of the British animal welfare charity Nowzad, based in Kabul, Afghanistan. Founded by former British Royal Marine, Pen Farthing, over a decade ago, Nowzad reunites soldiers with their animal friends from their time in Afghanistan.

Using local veterinarians, Nowzad has raised awareness of the importance of animal care and welfare through the provision of information and education to the people of Afghanistan. They also run an animal shelter and have succeeded in saving the lives of thousands of animals, as well as finding new homes both nationally and internationally for the animals.

Due to the tragic situation in Afghanistan, the lives of all Nowzad Afghan staff, and their families (including many females), are in danger and they cannot stay in the country.

As the CEOs of Compassion in World Farming, World Animal Protection and the RSPCA we strongly urge you to effect the safe evacuation from Kabul of all of Nowzad's staff, their families and the animals in their shelter as a matter of urgency.

Please do everything in your power to get them to safety.

With gratitude.

Yours sincerely

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Steve McIvor, World Animal Protection

Chris Sherwood, RSPCA