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Subject: ASUS/WAO - Receivership Request

Dear Mr. Anthony:

Please accept this letter as an addendum to the original complaint letter previously submitted to your Office. The information contained herein pertains to my original complaint regarding alleged misappropriation of funds perpetrated by the non-profit 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization's owners/operators of the Animal Sanctuary of the United States, d/b/a Wild Animal Orphanage (WAO); f/k/a the Primate Sanctuary of the U.S. (PSUS), f/k/a the National Sanctuary for Retired Research Primates (NSRRP), f/k/a The San Antonio Wildlife Emergency Centre, f/k/a Primate Sanctuary of America (PSA); f/k/a Chimp Aid; f/k/a Cat Haven; and f/k/a Feral Cat Rehabilitation Center and Whisker's and Wag's Humane Society.

I respectfully request the Texas Attorney General's Office assume **temporary custodianship** immediately and remove the current Board of Directors of Animal Sanctuary of the United States, d/b/a Wild Animal Orphanage (WAO).

With only three Board members, Karen Maxfield (President); Sumner Matthes (Vice President); and Michelle Cryer (Treasurer/Co-Secretary), I am concerned there is not enough non-profit/business experience available to successfully turn-around the steady financial decline of the ASUS/WAO.

I am also concerned, based on conversations with more than one source, Ms. Michelle Cryer and her husband, Jamie Cryer, intend to take over the ASUS/WAO as CEO/CFO/directors.

At this time, Jamie Cryer is listed as "Chief Financial Officer-Donating Services/Expertise at no charge" despite the fact this individual has absolutely no experience in the financial field. It is my understanding Mr. Cryer's last position was as an animal transporter driver for the ASUS/WAO. You may recall, Mr. Cryer has an extensive criminal background (see attached), and I am concerned if the Cryers' assume control of the ASUS/WAO, the ASUS/WAO will sink further into financial chaos which would be detrimental to the 500+ animals housed at the Leslie and Talley Road properties.

It is also my understanding, Ms. Cryer may have recently informed Ms. Garcia that her position as CEO is "temporary," which leads credence to my supposition that Ms. Cryer sees the ASUS/WAO "ripe for the picking" and will attempt to seize control of the organization at some point in the future.

I cannot urge your Office strongly enough to assume temporary receivership of the ASUS/WAO. The cost of instilling a temporary director, **experienced** in running a business, willing to turn this facility around within 9-12 months, would be more cost effective than having to revisit this facility in a year or so and at that time assume

receivership. Public dollars support this facility and this non-profit organization must adhere to the standards set by State and Federal law; else the credibility of the ASUS/WAO and other exotic wild animal sanctuaries may be irreparably harmed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information. Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Kindest Regards,

Kristina Brunner

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