NCAP Notes on International Policy/the OIE

WAN Website:

International Policy: http://worldanimal.net/our-programs/international-policy

The OIE: http://worldanimal.net/the-oie

Includes full information on the OIE and its animal protection work, and a WAN report on the implementation of the OIE Stray Dog Population Control Standard.

Regional OIE Website:

http://www.rr-americas.oie.int/

This is the website for the OIE Americas region. It includes information on regional structures and contacts, including:

Delegate for the USA:

Dr John Clifford Chief Trade Advisor USDA-APHIS-Veterinary Services Ministry of Agriculture Room 317-E 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building Washington DC 20250

Animal Welfare Focal Point for the USA:

Dr Paul Gary Egrie Aquaculture Specialist Animal Welfare Coordinator National Center for Animal Health Programs USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Services 4700 River Road, Unit 33 Riverdale, MD 20737

Suggested Starting Contact with Delegate/AW Focal Point:

Brief letter of introduction, asking them:

- What system they have in place for the establishment of a network of animal welfare experts?
- What system they have for in-country consultation on OIE animal welfare standards? *Both required by the OIE, see:*

http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/vademecum/eng/PDF WORD Vademecum/DELEGUE FINAL/Slide %205/EN/Animal welfare.pdf]

Express an interest in assisting in this process.

You could also request a meeting with them to discuss animal welfare and the OIE?

This could be followed up by further contact, as appropriate.

But the important thing is to make contact, and if possible get inside the process to begin monitoring them, and submitting comments!