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## **“STRAY CRIMES”**

**After having read the articles on how the largest British animal welfare organization disapproves of the way Greece is handling the strays in view of the Olympic Games, the residents of the city of Herakleio were stirred up at the sight of tens of wounded animals. The people report that the municipal employees were stacking the strays in a truck to remove them from being in the way for the torch race.**

**The municipal employees of Herakleio tied the strays under trees and bushes. According to the local residents the strays were transported, piled on each other, in a truck and during the drive they started biting and cutting each other up.**

**One of the locals had her camera and recorded a dog dying a slow death after being bitten at the throat and the chest. Another puppy had lost its eye while several dogs remained wounded and chained to tree trunks.**

**On Tuesday morning members of animal welfare groups met with the chief of the local police station of Aghia Marina, at the establishment where the journalists will be set up during the Olympics. They reported that tens of animals have disappeared on this site and they claim that there is an organized plan to wipe out the animals. A little later, when they asked to see the animals, the animals were gone.**

**After the articles in the English press regarding the killing of 15000 animals in Greece, the largest British animal welfare organization emphasized that our country is considered the “black sheep” as far as the strays are concerned. As the Games get closer the reactions of the animal welfare groups are expected to escalate.**

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"You can't save every animal in the world but, for the one you do save, it IS the world!"

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