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Subject: Clarification — FROM DIRECTOR OF OLAR/ATTENDING VETERINARIAN

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Importance: Normal

Hi all,

As clarification to the previous email message,...

Please know that OLAR is sensitive to individual research needs, and that this is not a one-size-fits-all situation. I realize some of you are in critical stages of producing unique transgenic lines etc, and there is no intent to interfere with those endeavors. Please do not euthanize valuable animals at this point. If you have pregnant animals, let them give birth.

However, we are likely entering a period where we may not be able to go about business as usual.

Please assess your animal colonies and remove any extra animals. Let's suspend colony expansion for the time being, including ordering and non-essential breeding.

OLAR has already had requests to maintain researchers' colonies because labs are shutting down. We will accommodate these requests at a limited level while we can, but at some point that may not be possible.

Please continue to reach out with concerns. We will continue to do our best to care for your animals and support your research. In exchange, I hope you will understand the challenges we face in OLAR, especially if conditions deteriorate.

Thank you all.

Best,
Ida

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