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Humane Destruction of Large Mammals Course

Dear Andrew,

I am writing to thank you for the two day presentation you gave to our rifle officers on 21st & 22nd October 2010. I believe you bridged the gap in knowledge between normal range shooting skills and the practical skills needed for the safe and effective destruction of large mammals.

We all found your classroom input very informative pitched at the right level for practitioners. One of the most important things for us was your experience in large animals "reaction to shot" and the difference between stopping an animal and trying to kill it first time.

The range day was excellent too, building on our existing skills. You practically covered humane destruction with the weaponry we have already available, as well as highlighting lightweight aids that are practical for the environments we may find ourselves in.

I am convinced that any officer called to undertake the Humane destruction of animals, will greatly benefit from your input. Especially if they have no great practical experience in this area through hunting / stalking.

Yours sincerely,

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