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Dear Friends,

2014

We are coming to the end of another year and sadly there are still many galgos being abandoned in Spain. Only recently two shelters that we work with in Badajoz and Ayamonte sent news of some very sad cases of abuse and asked for our help.

Earlier this month we welcomed Irene Blanquez to the UK and are very grateful to her for giving permission for our charity to show her documentary, February, the fear of Spanish greyhounds. We invited many guests, including prominent people in the animal welfare world and hope that this will lead to more awareness of the suffering of the galgos and will encourage more people to work towards changing the situation for them.

We encourage everyone to write to their own Members of the European Parliament asking them to raise this matter at the European Parliament to enact and enforce humanitarian legislation to protect the galgos of Spain from such barbaric treatment.

Without the good co-operation we have with adoption groups in Belgium, France, Italy, Slovenia and Switzerland and the tremendous support we receive from our supporters we would not be able to do this work, so a very big thank you to everyone. Working together we can achieve so much more.

We are getting good feedback now from teachers in Spain who are pleased with the education resource and report that the children are enjoying using it and learning about the galgos. School visits are arranged to the shelters and many teachers feel these are very important and necessary as they show the children the reality of the situation. We have been able this year to provide some education grants to enable this work to continue and have offered some funding for transport costs to get the children to the shelters safely.

We have also been able to help some greyhounds from England and Ireland by funding some veterinary and transport costs to enable them to be homed in France by Levriers en Detresse and in Italy by the Greyhound Adopt Centre.

Please remember to visit our website when thinking about buying any kind of doggy needs and much more - here is the link - <http://greyhoundsinneed.co.uk/eshop> remember every merchandise purchase generates additional funds for our work in rescuing greyhounds and galgos.

We would like to thank you all for the help and support you give to us and those we work with and we take this opportunity to wish you, your families and your dogs a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Carolyn and all at GIN



GIN-2014 Christmas Card

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