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OPEN LETTER TO THE ARBA STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND ARBA BOARD

In the following pages we, of DEAN - LEIGH ENTERPRISES, have attempted to offer you, as accurate a picture of the Hotot rabbit as possible, from it's earliest days in France, to the introduction to the American public.

We have also diligently undertaken to present a pure translation from French to English. In giving our recommended changes, we have done so solely to present the standard within the same format used by the ARBA.

A ROSE IS A ROSE IS A ROSE.....as the cliché goes.....but a rabbit is just not 'A RABBIT' as breeders will attest. We feel the same about the Hotot and have faith that it will become a beautiful, new addition to the many fine breeds we have, in America, today.

During the two years while in Saudi Arabia I was unable to really be associated with the industry except through letters, magazines and travel through several countries. Before I left, however, most of my fellow employees and associates were very well versed concerning the rabbit industry and, the Hotot especially. During this time, I was able to add additional members to the ARBA roster. Also, because of the Hotot, my parents and younger brother have been won into the industry and established with their first rabbits.

David Ingalls and I present to you, of the ARBA committee, before hand, the French Standard of the Hotot. We have included supplemental information for your interest and sincerely hope that by the time you have finished studying the enclosed, you will be anxious to see the breed, which will be shown at the 55th ARBA Convention and Show in Saginaw, Michigan, October 8 through 12, 1978.

I ask that you take this presentation folder with you to the convention and show. It has been sent to you for a sneak preview.

Sincerely,



Bob D. Whitman
DEAN-LEIGH ENTERPRISES