



The Yupi Campaign in Mexico in 2012



Delivering the letters and petitions to the zoo director



Our amazing colleagues from Morelia and Mexico and the National and provincial Mexican Green Party Colleagues



This year we got the amazing support of the Mexican Green party and dozens of NGO's for the Yupi Campaign.

As a result of the attacks from the zoo director to the Save Yupi International Coalition in the media and because of the kind offer from Zoocheck Canada to send a team of Polar bear experts to assess the condition of Yupi at the zoo, Zoocheck Canada sent me to Mexico in May. In that trip, we had a press conference and then we delivered 82,006 petitions collected in 4.5 weeks worldwide by the International Coalition for the Director of the Morelia zoo in Mexico, for them to reconsider to relocate Yupi the Polar bear to a better location abroad.

I also met the newly appointed zoo director and the zoo BoD and I had meetings with our fantastic team of the Save Yupi Coalition in Mexico: The Mexican Green Party, Animaturalis, and my colleagues from the Morelia NGO's Coalition supporting Yupi's campaign.



The banner of the Coalition



During the Press Conference in Morelia



Yupi more skinny and green



Demos organized by our enthusiastic colleagues in Mexico

Yupi shows an alarming increase in stereotypic behaviors. Like pacing back and forth increased in 3 years from 2 minutes to 1 hour and 15 minutes! She was way skinnier and her fur is more greenish than ever.

Unfortunately, after talking to this newly appointed zoo director and when things seemed that they were going to allow Zoocheck Canada to send a team of Polar bear experts to assess Yupi's health (never been done in a formal way) and areas, the governor appointed a new zoo director, and without any notice the zoo proceeded to do a medical assessment on September 6, 2012 (without any Polar bear expert). It took the zoo almost 5 months (up to finally release the results now in 2013), and the assessment wasn't done in not a complete way. Now the new zoo director claims that we never offered him this assessment and that they never got any Polar bear expert letter, which is a lie. This new zoo director doesn't want to let her go to a better place in Canada.

In the meanwhile, our teams abroad and in Mexico we are still pushing Yupi's plea.

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