

# the Jane Goodall Institute

May 31, 2016



## MEMORANDUM

RE: Shooting of Harambe at Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens

The attached email is correspondence from Dr. Jane Goodall to Thane Maynard, director of the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden regarding the shooting death of 17 year-old gorilla, Harambe. Above and beyond this correspondence Dr. Goodall and the Jane Goodall Institute have not made any further statements on the incident.



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**Fwd: FW: The gorilla shooting**

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Tue, May 31, 2016 at 11:05 AM

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**From:** Jane Goodall  
**Date:** Sunday, 29 May 2016 19:22  
**To:** Thane Maynard  
**Subject:** The gorilla shooting

Dear Thane,  
I feel so sorry for you, having to try to defend something which you may well disapprove of. I tried to see exactly what was happening - it looked as though the gorilla was putting an arm round the child - like the female who rescued and returned the child from the Chicago exhibit.

Anyway,whatever, it is a devastating loss to the zoo, and to the gorillas.  
How did the others react? Are they allowed to see, and express grief, which seems to be so important.

Feeling for you,

Jane