



DO NOT PAY COMPENSATION TO IVORY TRADERS

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To the Bills Committee, Hong Kong Legislative Council

Dear Sirs,

I have chosen to live here in HK for more than twenty years.

In 1964 my uncle founded the College of African Wildlife Management on the slopes of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania whose aim remains to preserve African wildlife for the long term benefit of all.

I therefore welcome the HK Government's decision to ban the ivory trade here albeit gradually.

However, I understand that the ban might be accompanied by paying compensation to ivory traders. This would be a big mistake! No other country has offered compensation to ivory traders. No government has paid compensation to traders in other industries which society eventually realised was morally wrong such as tobacco. And I am sure that you would not want the rest of the world to think that rich HK was beholden to a handful of vested local interests at the expense of a magnificent fellow inhabitant of this planet .

Trusting in your good judgement in this matter.

Best regards

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