



Ivory trade

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Dear Sir

I am writing in support of the proposed introduction of making trading ivory illegal in Hong Kong. I support this proposal whole heartedly for both mammoth tusk and newer ivory WITHOUT giving traders compensation .

I would like my children and grandchildren to grow up in a world with elephants and rhinos and this WILL NOT HAPPEN if this trade is allowed to continue.

Such trading to satisfy personal greed and vanity has led to the imminent extinction of the Asian Elephant and is having the same effect on the African mammals.

I also think giving traders 5 years to sell their existing stock is too long - the illegal trafficking of ivory will continue during this time with the price on a potentially illegal commodity gaining value.

Hong Kong should be bold and show leadership by not implementing a 5-year period.

During this period elephants in Africa will most likely become extinct.

Newer stock will be sold first whilst older government-inventoried stock will be initially withheld from the market thus maximising trading potential.

Please do not allow the vanity and greed of the minority wreck the future enrichment of this planet for the majority.

Kind Regards

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