

Attention: Hon Tanya Chan ashannon to: panel_ea

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Dear Madam Chan,

I am a Canadian music professor concert pianist. I have performed on pianos in concert halls all over the world. Many of those pianos had ivory keys.

Now I realize how the ivory was acquired to make those older pianos.

I would like to tell you that many people in Canada are against the trade in ivory. Personally, I feel elephants are magnificent creatures on our earth who must be protected. The killing of elephants for profit in ivory must be stopped.

I am please the Hong Kong government has proposed increased penalties for wildlife crime. I do not believe the ivory traders should be paid for their stocks.

I recognize I do not know all that your government deals with in this matter. But I respectfully ask you too bring an end to this industry.

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"There is no fundamental difference between man and animals in their ability to feel pleasure and pain, happiness, and misery."

- Charles Darwin