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To the Honorable Tanya Chan,

I fully support Hong Kong's proposed legislation to prohibit the import, re-export and possession of pre-Convention ivory for commercial purposes, as well as increased penalties for wildlife crimes. Please reject any amendment that would include any type of compensation for ivory traders. No jurisdiction that has passed a ban on ivory sales has included this provision.

I write as someone who cares deeply about elephants, who are being driven toward extinction because of the ivory trade. The action you take now will determine the future of elephants, and whether coming generations will share the planet with these intelligent, self-aware and sensitive animals.

What poachers do to the elephants is so very cruel and inhumane. They suffer and die needlessly so trinkets can be made from their tusks. We need to respect and cherish all sentient life. Please do whatever you can so this horrible practice will be ended.

Thank you.