

## I support the Hong Kong Government's ivory ban and the proposed increase in penalties for wildlife crime.

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Dear Panel on Environmental Affairs,

Ivory made from the tusks of an elephant means that an elephant will die a gruesome painful death. Criminal syndicates do the killing and transport of the tusks to the market, Hong Kong being a major market. Crime syndicates and the ivory market make millions off this illegal trade. Africa and the world are the losers. The same crime syndicates supported by the ivory trade also deal in human trafficking.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

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