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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing regarding the Hong Kong Government's proposed ivory ban.

I believe the HKSAR is right to ban the ivory trade in all its manifestations (import/export/carving/storage/resale/transhipment etc) which has been at the proposal stage since before 1989.

I support the increase in fines to a realistically high level for peddling and trading in all products which result in the endangerment of any animal or fish species especially, but not exclusively related to ivory. This is the only way to deter this blatant profiteering from slaughter.

Providing compensation to an industry which profits from the appallingly brutal death of thousands of animals, game park wardens, poachers and hunters is unnecessary and an insulting proposition. Profits of enormous proportions have been made since the ban was proposed. Why should compensation be paid for a crime?

The HKSAR should come into line with most civilized countries in the world and align this law with the PRC.

Yours faithfully Peter Inglis