

Letter in Support of the Ivory Ban Anaïs Tropé to: bc_06_16

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Dear Bills Committee,

I am writing to support a full ivory ban, without compensation to traders, in Hong Kong. It is with overwhelming sadness and horror that I have learnt about the number of losses that the ivory ban as engendered, not only in the animal kingdom but also among us, human beings.

In the past 10 years, a third of the population of elephants has disappeared from our planet Earth, therefore threatening their species, the whole ecosystem of the African land, and all for the sake of vanity, greed and violence. Ivory trade is not only a crime against elephants, it is a crime against the land, planet Earth and, considering the extent to which ivory ban is linked to terrorism and organised crimes, humanity altogether.

This needs to stop for our generation and the generations to come. I admire the men and women who are putting their life at risk to protect wildlife. I am saddened by how many have died while doing so already, and I feel that the ivory ban would be a way to honour their work, steadfast belief and courage as well as honouring the families they have left behind.

I look forward to seeing the ban being enacted and hope that it will help to shift people's awareness on this important matter as well as contribute to build a more sustainable and peaceful world.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Anais Trope