

Hong Kong Proposal for Ivory Trade Ban Darren Catterall to: bc_06_16@legco.gov.hk

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Dear Legco,

I am writing to urge you to do the right thing and ban the Ivory trade outright without compensation.

The Mainland Government is doing just that and the price of Ivory has already fallen considerably on the Mainland.

The traders know that what they do is wrong, they know that their trade is dead in the water and they have had plenty of time to clear out their stocks. However, they have continued to illegally import stocks and cheat the system for years. Hong Kong is a world hub in illegal Ivory imports that contribute to the deaths of thousands of Elephant every year.

It is time to do the right thing and protect the species over a few selfish traders who have many other things that they can sell. They knew what they were doing when they kept importing the stock and that was to force you to pay for them. This is morally wrong and you should not be held accountable to them.

I ask that you do the right thing and ban this trade within the year and offer no compensation. If you decide that compensation is necessary to make this happen then please pay them the going rate in China and not in Hong Kong.

with best regards

Darren