



Ivory ban

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Please respond to Lucy Rabbit

I have been involved through various NGO's with Rhino and Elephant conservation programmes and I have determined that the driver for the trade in both these "products" has to stop, NOW. Not in 5 years so that a small number of so called artisans can recoup compensation but NOW. Hong Kong has a shameful history in neglecting most of its conservation protocols and responsibility...even now, with the third runway, the Chinese White Dolphin, once the fauna representative to the New HONG KONG..has been cast into the shadows of despair and neglect..and the same management of environmental ethics has established itself over the moratorium in Ivory. It is nothing short of senseless to initiate a 5 year wind down for ivory carvers so they can exhaust "stock". This so called stock is NOT mammoth tusk..it is established, illegal tusk from established Elephant herds, poached illegally and poached with incredible cruelty. I am sure you have seen the appalling images of chain sawed elephants, even juveniles, where the tusks are removed from the skull...all for the benefit of artisan carvers to satisfy and indeed fuel the corruption of ivory trading.. I strongly believe there is a case for the ICAC to investigate the interactive delay mechanisms within HK Gov and this despicable trade and will ensure, that if the 5 year lead off is maintained, I will engage with WWF and Wild Aide to ensure a case is brought to light.

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