



**Ban on Ivory Trade**

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Attn: Hon Tanya Chan

I understand that on June 6, 2017, the Hong Kong legislative council will be conducting a public hearing on banning the ivory trade. I am sending this email to support such a ban.

I am also asking that any ban also sets penalties for wildlife crime that will ensure that those who commit these crimes against innocent animals will pay a very steep price and will hopefully feel that the risk of getting caught is not worth committing the crime in the first place. Finally I oppose the Hong Kong government paying any compensation to the ivory traders for their ivory stocks.

Thank you for your attention.