



Panel Hearing on Ivory Ban
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Dear Ms. Hon. Tanya Chan,

Regarding the Environmental Affairs Panel's June 5, 2017 meeting on the Hong Kong government's call to ban the ivory trade, I would like to make the following written submission:

I strongly support the:

- Ban the import, re-export and possession of pre-Convention ivory for commercial purposes.
- And the increase of penalties for wildlife crime.

I do not support any compensation measures proposed for the ivory trade industry.

I feel strongly that we, as humans, have a duty and responsibility to protect the other living beings that we share our environment and earth with. The abuse of animals for the sake of our own personal gain and profit is unacceptable and irresponsible. There is no reason why our own lives and pleasures are more valuable than those of other living animals and we must respect their right to life as well. Such bans and government policies to help protect wildlife and life of all animals is desperately needed in Hong Kong, and we have a wonderful opportunity to set an example for all of Asia.

I hope my comments will be taken into consideration in your decision.

Thank you!

Best wishes,

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