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To: The Honorable Tanya Chan-

I support Hong Kong's pending legislation to prohibit the import, export, and possession of pre-Convention ivory, and to increase penalties for all wildlife crimes.

Please reject an amendment that would include compensation for ivory traders.

They should invest their time and money inventing and developing an artificial substance to replace ivory.

I care deeply about elephants, who are slaughtered for the ivory trade. The action you take will determine the future of elephants, who are intelligent, self-aware, and sensitive animals.

Thank you,
Cecilia Matthews