



Support the ban of the ivory trade in Hong Kong
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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are writing to highly support the ban on ivory trading, and hopefully before the suggested year of 2021. This announcement (2021) was made before China declared its ban on ivory trading for 2017, so now Hong Kong is behind the curve internationally on this issue. It is an embarrassment as a world city, and a global “citizen” to be catering to such trade, when it is clearly harming a number of species, with a great effect on the overall ecosystem in many countries.

We also greatly support the increased penalties for illicit wildlife trade, if for no other reason than to be a good global “citizen”, as opposed to being one of the centers of illicit trade, which is currently the case, unbelievably, for a “developed” city.

We also do not support paying any compensation to the ivory traders, as they have had since 1989 when the first ivory ban was enacted, to find other alternative sources of trade. There is no need to compensate them any further.

Sincerely,
Doug Woodring
Founder