



**Illegal Ivory Trade**

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I Fully SUPPORT the Hong Kong Governments ban on ivory and I fully SUPPORT the Hong Kong Governments proposed increase in penalties for wildlife crime.

I most definitely OPPOSE the Hong Kong Government paying compensation to Hong Kong ivory traders for their ivory stocks. These stocks are illegal in the first place so how can compensation be paid? Innocent animals slaughtered in their thousand for WHAT? an increase in penalties for the crime in the first place would soon dry up the demand and the poachers would loose the market overnight. Think hard about this, "PUNISH THE CRIMINALS SEVERELY FOR THE KILLING AND THE TRADING IN IVORY AND THE TRADE WOULD ROLL OVER AND DIE VERY SWIFTLY."

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