

## Ivory Ban - Rewarding Traders? Adam Rahmlow to: panel\_ea

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To the Honourable Tanya Chan,

I was very encouraged to hear you are pursuing an end to the Ivory Trade, but simultaneously discouraged to hear part of the solution involves rewarding traffickers of blood and destruction.

Is this so? Do you think setting this precedent is wise? I was under the impression offenders were given time to get out of the trade? Are the payments restricted to those which heeded the council's warnings? Why give monetary reward to people who have done nothing but continue their pillaging?

I love the work you are engaged in, and I love your commitment to protecting a vulnerable form of life - and I would support any action that aides in this noble pursuit - but this does not seem to reflect your higher values, and seems likely to me to encourage the trouncing of these, their total disregard, and the ultimate destruction of everything you have worked so hard to protect - up until this point.

I support a pragmatic solution to this crisis, but not one made in exhaustion or in despair.

I pray you strength and honor in making the final judgement.

With much respect, admiration, and love,

Adam Rahmlow