



Support Proposed Hong Kong Ivory Ban
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To the Honorable Tanya Chan,

I am writing to you to fully support Hong Kong's proposed legislation to prohibit the import, re-export and possession of pre-Convention ivory for commercial purposes. Unfortunately pre-Convention ivory is used as a cover for illegally obtained poached ivory taken from recently poached elephants. Please reject any amendment that would include any type of compensation for ivory traders. Also please keep increased penalties for wildlife crimes in the legislation.

Every day around 100 African elephants are being slaughtered for their tusks, driving them toward extinction because of the ivory trade. Elephants are more important than any ivory product, and your actions mean that coming generations will share the planet with these intelligent, self-aware and sensitive animals.

Thank you.