



Ivory Ban

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Dear Legislators,

I am writing to you today in support of Hong Kong's Ivory ban.

As someone who has lived both in the region (Macau) and in Africa spending long periods in the African bush with Elephants and the other Africa wildlife I am well acquainted with the issues surrounding this issue, not least by the Elephants themselves.

Attached is a photograph of an Elephant we came across in Tsavo East National Park Kenya shortly after it had been poached by criminals, as you can see it is not a pretty sight and this is being repeated every 10 minutes across Africa so at this rate Elephants will become extinct in the wild within 10 years or so.

I recognise there are many in Hong Kong who earn their living from the trade in Ivory artefacts but I strongly believe this is no longer defensible and that Hong Kong now more than ever needs to display leadership and follow mainland China's decision to totally close down this trade.

In short

1. I SUPPORT the Hong Kong government's ivory ban.

2. I SUPPORT the Hong Kong government's proposed increase in penalties for wildlife crime.

3. I OPPOSE the Hong Kong government paying compensation to the Hong Kong ivory traders for their ivory stocks.

Yours Sincerely



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