

1st June 2017

Honourable Tanya Chan
Room 814, Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
Central, Hong Kong

Dear Honourable Tanya Chan,

Public Hearing on June 6th 2017: Supporting the Hong Kong Government's Ivory Trade Ban

I write to express my support for the Hong Kong Government's upcoming legislative proposal concerning the ivory trade. I fully support the government's plan to ban the Hong Kong ivory trade and the proposals to increase maximum penalties under the Protection of Endangered Species Ordinance Cap 586. However, I **do not** support any proposition to compensate traders or buy out their stocks.

Whilst I do not support compensation for the traders, I do support investment in non-financial assistance programmes e.g. retraining for industry workers.

Yours sincerely,

Jain R. Brown

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