



Calling for a more stringent approach re:local ivory trade
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Dear Members of the Legislative Council:

It is delightful that the Government is finally stepping up action against the stigmatising ivory trade in Hong Kong, here is my response to the proposed legislature:

1. I am in total support of putting in place a real ivory ban.
2. As the Mainland China is also effecting a total ivory ban next year, Hong Kong should follow through, to show our support and stand towards a total ban of ivory trade.
3. I also SUPPORT the government's proposed increase in penalties for crimes against wildlife.
4. To make sure that no post-1989 ivory stocks exist in the market, it may be necessary that the government should immediately take samples from all ivory stocks for carbon dating. Anyone holding 1990+ ivory stocks should be prosecuted accordingly.
3. A 28-year grace period for the ivory vendors to finish their stocks since the government put a stop over ivory importation in 1989 is already an overly-extended grace period. Therefore, I heavily oppose that the Hong Kong government should pay any compensations to ivory vendors

Thank you for your attention and I shall count on your great efforts in moving Hong Kong forward as a good citizen of the Earth.

Yours

sincerely:

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