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Proposal # 26

Proposed by Zimbabwe

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Action on Proposal

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An act to save elephants and other species that are on the verge of extinction due to rampant, illegal poaching in Africa.

Be it hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the United Nations

Justification Clause: Zimbabwe has a vast problem with poachers hunting for ivory and many other precious materials. Poachers endanger the lives of not only the animals that are being poached but also the innocent and harmless people that are in the area at that time and the other species of animals that eat the dead carcasses of the dead elephants. The animals that eat the dead carcasses are killed by a type of poison called cyanide. Cyanide is very dangerous because it cuts off the oxygen supply to your cells, once all the cells parish the species soon deceases. The species that are being poached are brutally murdered mainly by having their tusks detached and the elephants are left to die, they also are murdered by being poisoned by cyanide in their water holes. The humans are trying to protect the animals from poachers, which results in their death by the irrational poachers trying to obtain the ivory tusks.

lvory and many other precious materials from animals are major imports in the black market that are then sold to china are then distributed to places all over the world. When sold to china one pound of ivory is worth \$5.00 and on average sixty metric tons is sold to just Japan. As we speak the species of rhinos and elephants becoming extinct, the price of ivory is increasing because it is getting harder to obtain. The Humane Society International states, "It is also illegal to possess, sell, deliver, carry, transport, or ship any such wildlife that has been taken illegally." If you own a piano or a piece of jewelry you might be owning a piece of this illegal material. Every day you and your country could be tricked into buying illegal ivory from China and Japan. In just one instance poachers poisoned a natural salt lick and took 174 tusks. Only fiftyone ivory tusks were recovered. The average male tusk is six feet long and weighs fifty pounds. Over one hundred countries have promised to veto the trade of illegal ivory, but it continues to takes place.

Section I: The countries that ratify this proposal will provide donations to corporations that will send in highly trained rangers with sufficient weapons to fend off the poachers. Money that is granted from Zimbabwe's safari missions will also be proactive towards the protection of the elephants and endangered species in Zimbabwe. Once in commission the proposal will be a model for future countries with the same poaching problems.

Section II: The countries that ratify this proposal will proclaimed that they will not take part in any ivory imports, or even be in touch with this material. This proclamation will also lower the demand of ivory which means that poachers will run out of jobs because people will not be in want for this material any longer.

Section III: This proposal will be enforced on January 1, 201