

Dear members of the committee,

I am writing to you to ask you to please ban whaling in Iceland. I adore your country and have been many times as a tourist, you are blessed with a beautiful landscape, wonderful people and wild seas. I cannot believe that commercial whaling still has a place in your economy.

Whales are vital to our oceans ecosystems, absorbing the same amount of carbon as Russia's annual emissions. We need them as vital assets to help stem climate change, a factor that Iceland itself is particularly vulnerable to.

I won't be visiting Iceland again until the ban is in place, as much as I love your country, I can't conscientiously participate in supporting an economy that still has active commercial whaling.

With kind regards, and hope for the right decision, Lottie Chase