Athugasemdir og umsagnir við frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum – 99. mál á 154. löggjafarþingi.

Málið var sent út til umsagnar 9. október, frestur til 23. október 2023

Eftirfarandi 72 tölvupóstar með athugasemdum eða umsögnum voru mótteknir 26. október til 31. október 2023

Fjarlægðar voru tengiliðaupplýsingar og hlekkir.

26. október 2023

Frá/from: GL & M

Umsögn vid 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum lögum vegna banns vio hvalveidum.

Dear members of Iceland Parliament,

Please end whaling in Iceland. As a potential tourist, I speak for my family and many relatives and friends. We will not travel to any country that has commercial whaling. Whales are important to ocean health and we need a healthy ocean to absorb the every increasing amounts of carbon that is causing havoc in our eco systems.

Whaling is not part of Icelandic history and whale meat has too much mercury that makes it unsafe for human consumption. Iceland is a beautiful country and should be a leader in marine protection.

Please have mercy on whales.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Michelle Arc

Frá/from: FINAL DE LA GUERRA AMBIENTAL.

EKKI FLEIRI HVALVEIÐAR.

Ég heiti Pablo Taborda og ég er í samskiptum til að biðja þig um að gefa grænt ljós á afnám hvalveiða. Dýr eru veidd á mjög grimmilegan og sársaukafullan hátt, sem ætti ekki að vera til, hugsaðu um þá skoðun á heimsvísu að það væri um slíkt villimannsverk.

Ég tel að hvalveiðar eigi ekki að vera hluti af Íslandi, það eina sem þeir eru að gefa er slæm ímynd til landsins, svo ég býð ykkur að gera nauðsynlega andlitslyftingu á sjálfsmynd Íslands. Ég býð þér að verða flaggskipsland í verndun sjávar, það væri mikið stökk í átt til framfara.

Hvalir fanga kolefni, búa til glæsilegar farleiðir, eru frábært aðdráttarafl fyrir ferðamenn og sannkallað undur Guðs í vatninu.

Eftir allt þetta býð ég ykkur að gera það sem er best fyrir heildina, vinsamlegast, ekki lengur hvalveiðar, hættum villimennsku, amen.

Frá/from: Caroline Price
Whaling
Good morning
My name is Caroline Price and I am contacting you today, 26th October 2023, regarding your whaling practice.
I am asking you please to reconsider and end whaling for good, the world does not need us to control it, it needs are compassion.
Kind regards
Caroline

Frá/from: lubov.mazurkevich
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
Hello!
I am writing to you to express my agreement to ban the catching and killing of whales.
We should not kill and capture them. I really hope for a ban on whaling as soon as possible.
This is very important to me because:
-The majority of Icelanders do not support hunting;
-Only one company kills whales;
-Almost all the meat is sold to Japan;
-Whaling is ruining the country's reputation.
Liubov Mazurkevich
26.10.2023

Frá/from: Наталия Баженова

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Good afternoon

I am writing to support a ban on the fishing and killing of whales in Iceland. I believe that such an outdated practice is inhumane and spoils the progressive image of the country. I also know that only one company is engaged in whaling and supplies meat to Japan. Whales are essential creatures for the planet's biodiversity and should not be killed.

Thanks for understanding

Frá/from: Алина Загуменникова

Umsogn vio 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum lögum vegna banns vid hvalveidum

Hi, I am against catching whales, I think we should make this ban. It's harmful to humanity and the animal world

Frá/from: Tatyana Soloveva

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Hello!

I am writing to express my support for the ban on hunting whales. I believe that it is important to protect these majestic creatures from being hunted for their meat or their fins.

One of the reasons I am so strongly opposed to hunting whales is that only one company is responsible for killing them. This is a clear example of the monopoly that exists in the industry and the way it harms not only the whales but also the reputation of Iceland as a country.

In addition, a large majority of Icelanders do not support the hunting of whales, and the meat is sold almost exclusively to Japan. It is disheartening to know that such a small number of people are profiting from the suffering of so many animals.

Finally, I want to point out that the questionable profits that come from this industry are damaging to the reputation and image of a whole country. It is important that we take action to protect our environment and wildlife from exploitation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I hope that you will consider supporting the ban on whale hunting.

Sincerely,

Tatiana Soloveva

26 October 2023

Frá/from: Christine Blythe

Ban on whaling

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to urge you to pass the bill to ban whaling in Iceland. Whales are critical to the health of the ocean ecosystem, and for our survival on the planet. They are important for carbon sequestration as well, and we have entered a climate emergency. We need to keep carbon in the water.

There has been a moratorium on commercial whaling since 1986, so it is unfathomable that Iceland still allows one man with political power and money to pursue whaling. It has no financial benefit and in fact is harming tourism and the positive reputation of Iceland.

Please think of the future of our young children as you consider ending whaling for good. A ban would be appreciated and celebrated.

Please consider passing the ban that is now before parliament. Thank you,

Mrs Blythe

Frá/fr	om: Kat a	arina Di	rummond
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Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum.

PLEASE END WHALING. MAKE PUNISHMENT FOR THOSE THAT DONT FOLLOW BIG ENOUGH THAT THEY WILL.

Frá/from: Fedorova Melaniya

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

10/26/23

Good afternoon. Please ban the whale hunt of the only company currently trying to renew its license. There are so many wrong things happening in the world that are leading to the destruction of the planet and people. People are so unconscious and guided by their animal instincts that you are simply horrified by what is happening. The task of man is to love, care for and preserve the planet and nature. You need to learn to respect and love everything around you, including yourself and other people, animals and the planet itself. It's time to put life, not money, first. The life of all living things. I ask you not to renew the whaling company's license. 10/26/2023.

Fedorova Melaniya

OOO "Nord Wind"

Moscow

Frá/from: Мила Мила

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

10/26/23

I ask for your attention and awareness.

Good afternoon. Please ban the whale hunt of the only company currently trying to renew its license. There are so many wrong things happening in the world that are leading to the destruction of the planet and people. People are so unconscious and guided by their animal instincts that you are simply horrified by what is happening. The task of man is to love, care for and preserve the planet and nature. You need to learn to respect and love everything around you, including yourself and other people, animals and the planet itself. It's time to put life, not money, first. The life of all living things. I ask you not to renew the whaling company's license. 10/26/2023.

Fedorova Melaniya. Moscow.

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Frá/from: Jonathan Zembol
Don't be the last country on earth to ban whaling
Dear Islandic Parlamentarians,
please support the bill to ban fin whale hunting forever. The time for whale hunting is long over in allmost every country on earth. Don't be
the last country on earth to ban whaling, stop it now and for ever!
Thank you in advance.
With kind regards form Germany,
Janathan Zambal
Jonathan Zembol

Frá/from: Diana Zhakypova

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Hello,my name is Diana,i am from Osh, Kyrgyzstan. I have never seen a whale in my life. My dream is to see them living and enjoying life,i also want my children grandchildren and grand-granchildren be able to see them alive,we humanity have made lots of mistakes by following money and business issues. So please let this killing whales stop.

Diana Zhakypova, Osh, Kyrgyzstan

26.10.2023

Frá/from: **Айханым Тоқтасын**

you can't kill whales

Frá/from: Felbabel, Berangere
Protecting whales, please
"To whom it may concern,
I am writing to urge you to pass this bill to ban whaling in Iceland. Whales are critical to the health of the ocean ecosystem, and for our survival on the planet. They are important for carbon sequestration as well, and we have entered a climate emergency. We need to keep carbon in the water.
There has been a moratorium on commercial whaling since 1986, so it is unfathomable that Iceland still allows one man with political power and money to pursue whaling. It has no financial benefit and in fact is harming tourism and the positive reputation of Iceland.
Please know the world is watching and ready to support and celebrate Iceland for stepping up and doing the morally right thing for the planet, for its children and for the climate by ending whaling for good.
Please, I urge you to pass the ban that is now before parliament.
Thank you,"
Bérangère

Frá/from: M

Umsögn vid 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum lögum vegna banns viò hvalveidum

October 25th 2003

Malcolm Wright

Dear Committee,

I want to express my gratitude for your robust democratic process, and your openness to input from Icelanders and non-Icelanders alike.

For the past 20 years I have interfaced with conservationists and whaling communities past and present, in Japan, the Faroe Islands, New Zealand, Australia and in two Caribbean nations. My current understanding is that the best outcomes come from the rational voices choosing to form robust dialogue with their rational counterparts on the 'other side' of the issue of whaling. The bill before your Committee appears to be the fruit of such a process.

Beyond the important considerations of respecting existing animal welfare laws, which if not followed, might as well not exist: I believe the Icelandic situation is also an example of a society faced with an extremely wealthy individual attempting to bend the rule of law through the sheer gravitational pull of his wealth. This is a problem playing out in many societies around the world, and it is powerfully undermining democracy.

How we decide to treat whales is a deeply important consideration. But how we decide to respond to wealthy bullies who threaten to dissolve a government if we insist on applying the law to them... This is also profoundly important. I am hopeful that with the robust Icelandic tradition of representative democracy, this will become a win for democracy and the rule of law.

With my respect and well wishes for the work ahead of you,

Malcolm Wright

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Frá/from: Raphaël Büschi

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Dear Madam, dear Mister,

I'm writing to you about the bill to ban whaling and protect cetaceans.

I am writing to confirm my support for this bill, so that decisions can be taken to protect biodiversity and the environment, and so that your government can see that the protection of different species of cetaceans, and whales in particular, is an issue that affects people outside Iceland, as I am writing to you from Switzerland.

I therefore lend my voice to ask you to continue in the direction of banning whaling in Icelandic waters and to ensure that other projects to promote biodiversity and environmental protection in your country and elsewhere are put in place.

Thanking you for your time in reading this e-mail, and hoping to see a rapid change in attitudes towards these endangered species, I remain yours faithfully.

Best regards

Raphaël Büschi

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hvalveiðum				

October 23, 2023

Frá/from: Anne LEBAS

Dear Members of Parliament:

I write to you today from France to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.

Thank you for your time.

Anne Lebas

Frá/from: L Whetmore

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum.

I visited Iceland in August with my daughter, a beautiful country and beautiful people.

I am truly shocked, saddened and angry that Iceland allows the killing of whales. This is animal cruelty and barbarism at the highest level and totally unacceptable. How can you allow this awful treatment of these beautiful animals and for what purpose. There isn't even a demand for whale meat.

I had planned to visit Iceland again but will definitely not do so as long as these killings are happening.

Please, please stop this horrible treatment of the beautiful whales.

Regards

Liv Grotdal Whetmore

United Kingdom

Frá/from: Eythor Gudjonsson

Til umhugsunar um hvalveiðar

Góðan dag kæru vinir,

Mig langaði til þess að koma til ykkar þeim áríðandi skilaboðum að mér finnst að við sem sjálfstæð þjóð, sem höfum ríkan vilja að vera til fyrirmyndar í sem flestu sem að kemur að umhverfi og náttúru, ættum að skoða hvort ekki sé kominn tími á að stoppa hvalveiðar á Íslandi.

Hér á öldum áður þurftum við að veiða okkur til matar til þess að lifa af. Á þeim tíma gagnaðist það okkur vel á margvíslegan hátt að veiða hvali. Í dag er það ekki nauðsynlegt, hvorki frá efnahagslegum sjónarmiðum né af öðrum ástæðum.

Hvalirnir hafa lifað í hafinu í milljónir ára og haldið velli þrátt fyrir þær fjölmörgu náttúruhamfarir sem hafa átt sér stað undanfarin milljónir ára, löngu, löngu fyrir tilkomu mannsins. Nýjustu rannsóknir sýna að þessi fallegu dýr eru miklu gáfaðri en flestir gerðu sér í hugarlund og hafa samskipti sín á milli á hátt sem er ofar skilningi okkar mannanna. Þetta eru því skynugar skepnur að öllu leyti.

Engin eftirspurn er eftir hvalkjöti á heimsvísu og endar kjötið iðulega sem hunda og kattamatur. Við getum gert miklu betur en þetta.

Sýnum umhverfinu, þessum fallegu dýrum og öðrum gott fordæmi og leggjum veiðarnar niður.

Takk annars fyrir ykkar óeigingjarna starf.

kær kveðja

Eyþór Guðjónsson

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Kind regards / kveðja

Eythor Gudjonsson

Frá/from: Damien W
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
October 26, 2023
Dear Members of Parliament:
I write to you today from France to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.
Thank you for your time.
Damien Wolff

Frá/from: Mila Murphy
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
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PLEASE PLEASE
SAVE THE WHALES!!!
Sincerely
Mila Murphy

Frá/from: Gail Silverman

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 23, 2023

Dear Members of Parliament:

I write to you today from (YOUR COUNTRY) to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.

Thank you for your time

Gail Silverman

Frá/from: Wesley D. Price
Ban Icelandic Whaling
To whom it may concern,
I am writing to urge you to pass this bill to ban whaling in Iceland. Whales are critical to the health of the ocean ecosystem, and for our survival on the planet. They are important for carbon sequestration as well, and we have entered a climate emergency. We need to keep carbon in the water.
There has been a moratorium on commercial whaling since 1986, so it is unfathomable that Iceland still allows one man with political power and money to pursue whaling. It has no financial benefit and in fact is harming tourism and the positive reputation of Iceland.
Please know the world is watching and ready to support and celebrate Iceland for stepping up and doing the morally right thing for the planet, for its children and for the climate by ending whaling for good.
Please, I urge you to pass the ban that is now before parliament.
Thank you,
Wesley Price

Umsögn við 99.	. mál, frumvar	p til laga um	brevtingu á	ýmsum l	ögum vegna	ı banns við

October 23, 2023

hvalveiðum

Dear Members of Parliament:

Frá/from: Delphine Bonin

I write to you today from mauritius to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.

Thank you for your time.

Delphine de senneville

Frá/from: Смирнова Elena

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Ég er á móti því að drepa, veiða hvali, höfrunga. Það er skylda mannsins að vernda náttúruna og dýrin.

Smirnova E. V. 27.10.2023

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Frá/from: Catrina Stewart	

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 23, 2023

Dear Members of Parliament:

I write to you today from United Kingdom to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species. I would love to visit Iceland as a tourist, but feel that I cannot until there is a ban.

Thank you for your time.

Catrina Stewart

Frá/from: Honey Hill Faralya Butique Otel

Тема письма: Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

If you issue a license to kill whales you will go down in history as Iceland's most shameful parliament.

You have the power to change history for the better and create an example of prudence and environmental protection for everyone.

Best regards Azam and Julia.

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 27, 2023

Frá/from: Zoé chérigier

Dear Members of Parliament:

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Thank you for your time.

Zoé Chérigier

Frá/from: F	loger Harwood
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Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 23, 2023

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I write to you today from (YOUR COUNTRY) to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I trust Iceland can become a leader in protecting marine regions and species. Our natural world has had enough decimation it's time now for rejuvenation.

Thank you for your time.

Roger John Harwood

Frá/from: Yani_ Lu

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Good afternoon. I support a BAN ON WHALE HUNTING.

- 1. Most Icelanders do not support whale hunting
- 2. Only 1 company kills whales
- 3. Almost all meat is sold to Japan
- 4. Whales are very important to our life on Earth

Yanni Lu.

27.10.2023

Frá/from: livia schoonejans

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum."

To whom I may concerned,

I came to visit Island 4 times as I was invited to play as an artist in both Sonar and Secret solstice festival.

I can't express how much I loved your country and the many Icelandic friends I could meet during my trip.

You are an advanced country in so many ways but I truly can't understand how you could still let this one 80 years old man like Kritjan Loftsson ruin your reputation with the killing of endangered whales with calf!

Even more tragic this hunt has even killed the new generations of whales, killing a whale that was having a baby whale that was killed with her, this is NOT ACCEPTABLE for a country like yours!

You know exactly how cruel and completely unnecessary is this hunt of whales, especially endangered species like fine whales.

let's remember that

- -Ensuring the welfare of large whales while hunting them is an impractical endeavor.
- -Whales play a vital role in maintaining a thriving marine ecosystem.

-Whaling is at odds with Iceland's cherished cultural heritage.
-Whaling in Iceland has sadly evolved into a personal vanity project for a wealthy individual.
-The majority of Icelanders do not support the continuation of whaling.
-Whaling has had a detrimental impact on the nation's economy.
Please take in consideration that we need those whales more then ever for the generations to come!
Thank you

Frá/from: Arnaud Longueville

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Dear Members of the Icelandic Parliament,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. I am writing to express my deep concerns and the concerns of countless others regarding the recent whaling activities in Iceland, particularly those involving Mr. Kritjan Loftsson, an 80-year-old individual who, regrettably, has been associated with activities that are tarnishing Iceland's reputation on the international stage.

Iceland has long been celebrated for its stunning natural beauty, pristine landscapes, and a commitment to environmental conservation. The world has admired your country's efforts to protect endangered species, which is why it is disheartening to witness such actions that contradict these values. The recent killing of endangered whales, including calves, has not only raised global alarm but also brought shame to Iceland's reputation.

It is with great sorrow that we have learned of incidents where entire generations of whales have been lost, including a mother and her unborn calf. Such acts of cruelty, particularly towards these magnificent and endangered creatures, are absolutely unacceptable for a country like Iceland, which has a responsibility to be a global exemplar in wildlife conservation and sustainable practices.

The world is well aware of the unnecessary brutality and the lack of ecological justification for whale hunting, particularly for endangered species like the fin whale. The scientific community and conservationists have continually urged countries to abandon such practices for the sake of our planet's biodiversity and the health of our oceans.

We understand that a debate regarding these matters is scheduled to take place in the Icelandic Parliament. We earnestly implore you to consider the gravity of this issue and the

international repercussions it carries. Iceland's standing as a responsible steward of nature is at stake, and it is essential to align your policies with the values of conservation and environmental responsibility.

We respectfully request that you reevaluate Iceland's stance on whaling, especially in the context of hunting endangered species and calves. We urge you to take decisive action to put an end to these activities, preserve the reputation of Iceland as a beacon of environmental responsibility, and join the global community in protecting our planet's endangered species.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We hope that the Icelandic Parliament will make the right choice for the future of Iceland and the world's precious natural heritage.

Sincerely,

Arnaud Longueville

Frá/from: Yulia Chertash

Umsógn vio 99.mal, frumvarp tillaga um breytingu a ymsum lbgum vegna banns vio hvalveióum

Hello, I am against whale hunting. I'm from Ukraine, and your country is amazing. Whales are very useful to people, they must live in the ocean. I really hope that you will pass a law banning hunting.

Frá/from: Nelli Manukyan

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Frá/from: Gabriela Bartulovic

I'm begging you... Stop this horror on innocent creatures of which there are still very few left... please stop this bloodshed as soon as possible I don't live in Iceland, it's a beautiful country and I plan to visit it next year for my birthday, but w...

Frá/from: Roxana Moya

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Por favor ...le pido misericordia para las ballenas en Islandia!! Ellas tienen derecho a vivir al igual que ustedes!!!! Elindonlis mira con horror por toda la matanza arcaica que hacen ustedes en Islandia!! Habla de seres no humanos ..crueles y déspotas!!!! Hay miles de personas que firman peticiones cada año para detener esta mqtnza sin sentido !!! Jamás visitaré Islandia ..hasta que terminen con esta barbarie diabólica!!!!

Frá/from: Adema Nura

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

I'm strongly support ban on whale hunting.

Frá/from: Elena

Stop whaling

I realise my email might be a bit late, but I just wanted to state, that I am absolutely against whaling and I think it is absolutely horendous. We need to stop whaling now! At this point in time this should not even be a consideration, this should be banned already and forever.

Respectfully,

Elena Lukenaite

Frá/from: Elaine Wrinkle

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 23, 2023

Dear Members of Parliament:

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Thank you for your time

Nancy Elaine Wrinkle

Frá/from: Lika Kurilova

I am against whale hunting

Я против убийства китов, киты в этот мир приносят очень много пользы.

Киты дают жизненно необходимый процесс океану. Также они очень красивые и большие млекопитющие.

Остановите убийц на китов. 🙏 🙏 I am against whale hunting

Frá/from: Rosemary Harma
RE: Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
Dear Members of the Government of Iceland and All Concerned with the Bill to Ban Whaling,
I am writing to urge you, please, to pass the bill and ban the killing of whales. I understand that most Icelanders no longer support whaling.
With thanks and best wishes,
Rosemary Harma
Scotland

Frá/from: Laura Bottai
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
October 23, 2023
Dear Members of Parliament:
I write to you today from Italy to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.
Thank you for your time.
Laura Bottai
Laura Bottai
Senior Lecturer
MILANO ROMA

Frá/from: Ника Бурхутова

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

BURKHUTOVA VERONIKA 28.10.23

Please change your mind! Most Icelanders don't support whale hunting! In addition, almost all whale meat is sold to Japan! this act spoils the reputation of your country!

BURKHUTOVA VERONIKA 28.10.23

Frá/from: Ivonne Cassaigne
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
October 23, 2023
Dear Members of Parliament:
I write to you today from Mexico to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.
Thank you for your time.
Ivonne Cassaigne

Frá/from: Айдана Жумалиева

Please don't kill the whales

Hello! My name is Aidana. I come from Kazakhstan. I recently heard the news about the resumption of whale hunting. It's very terrible for me. After all, whales are the property, the pride of your country. In the future, I dream of seeing your country, learning about your culture. But this news scares me very much. Do we have the right to kill defenseless animals? They live their own lives. We just have to admire them. Even somewhere to make their life better or just leave them alone. Are we butchers? After all, there is life after us? We will all die, and what will we leave to our ancestors? People all over the planet have already exterminated many species of animals! So let's preserve and protect, protect what's left. I really hope for your understanding

Frá/from: N.Kalantarova

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

I'm Natalie Kalantarova from Spain. God, I beg you to stop this, please don't kill such incredibly beautiful creatures that give life to the whole ocean. After all, whales are an important component of our planet. I support a ban on whale hunting. Let Iceland stop destroying its reputation like the province of Catalonia did by banning the killing of bulls. Sincerely, Natalie Kalantarova 10/20/2023

Frá/from: Оксана Мирович

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

I strongly support the ban on whale hunting. This issue is of great importance to me, as it is to many Icelanders. The majority of Icelanders do not endorse whale hunting, and it's alarming that only one company is responsible for these killings. Moreover, the fact that almost all the meat ends up being sold in Japan raises serious ethical concerns. Not only does whale hunting harm marine ecosystems, but it also tarnishes a country's reputation on the global stage. It's crucial for us to protect these magnificent creatures and preserve the delicate balance of our oceans.

Oksana Myrovych

29.10.2023

Frá/from: R Mathoorasingh

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Please support this bill to end whaling.

Regards,

R Mathoorasingh

29th October 2023

Frá/from: Wong Loana

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

28th of October 23, 2023

Dear Members of Parliament,

Iaorana,

I write to you today from Tahiti, French Polynesia, to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland.

As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act.

Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen.

As islanders, we have this important bond with the sea and nature.

Whales are part of our life and culture wether we are icelandic or polynesian. Being respectful of their lives is being respectful of ours.

They are actually leaving our Pacific ocean to go north, like a link between each part of our planet, a link between all of us.

So I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.

Thank you for your time.

Maururu like we say in my country

Stein Wong Loana

Frá/from: Dennis Elphick
Whaling
Dear sir
It is time to stop whaling. Biodiversity is on the brink and we need to learn to live alongside all living entities on the planet of which we humans are just one species that like all living entities have evolved originally from bacteria. That is our common ancestry with whales.
As an amateur ornithologist, I'm well aware of how important the breeding populations of Black-tailed Godwit, Whimbrel, Whooper Swans and many other Icelandic species are in maintaining our ever shrinking global biodiversity of which we are just a part. I have visited Iceland as part of research into the migration of White Wagtails that pass through the Southwest of England en route to winter in Senegal, the reason for visiting Iceland and have had contact with Icelandic ornithologists.
The conservation of whales is just as important for humanity as is the conservation of all biodiversity. Banning whaling must be part of this much needed strategy for the benefit of future generations.
Your sincerely
Dennis Elphick
Devon U.K.

Frá/from: S R

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Dear Icelandic authorities,

Marine ecosystems are under extreme pressure from 8 billion+ people. Wild animals need time and space to recover. Iceland can show the way to a better economic and cultural relationship with other living mammals.

The needless slaughter of whales is uneconomic and damaging to Icelandic businesses. We, tens of thousands of us, friends and family, will not travel to your country, or buy products, while this irrational business continues.

We have not purchased any Japanese products, or travelled to Japan, for the past 25 years.

For business, for reputation, please do the right thing.

regards

Stephen Rendell

25 October 2023

Frá/from: Nathalie Angibaud

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 29, 2023

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Please stop 🙏 😭 🍪

Thank you for your time.

Nathalie Angibaud, France FR

Frá/from: Александра Шпенькова

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Insist on a ban on killing whales in any form or legislation. Good day, Human. I hope you want as much as I do to be alive happy and that the children of all people on planet Earth can be healthy and happy. To do this we need the magic of the ocean to work, and whales are the foundation of an organ of our planet like the Ocean. If it stops working as it has for millions of years, life on Earth is doomed to die.

Frá/from: Саша

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С уважением,

Александра

Frá/from: Will Green

Umsögn vid 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum lögum vegna banns vio hvalveidum

Til þess er málið varðar,

Vinsamlegast, vinsamlegast ekki endurnýja 5 ára leyfi Kristjáns Loftssonar til að veiða langreyði og banna honum að stunda hvalveiðar!

Okkur skilst að 90% af langreyðarkjöti Loftssonar sé selt til Japans þar sem neysla hvalkjöts á Íslandi hefur minnkað verulega.

Hvalir standa frammi fyrir svo mörgum ógnum daglega; iðnaðarveiðar (flækja og drukkna) hafmengun, fósturdauði, sónarprófanir, skipaáföll o.s.frv. Við biðjum þig um að binda enda á þessi óþarfa, hrottalegu morð. Það er ómannúðlegt. Kjötið er hlaðið eitruðu kvikasilfri og ætti ekki að neyta þess!

Velferð þessara dýra og vernd er þörf og löngu tímabært. Vistkerfi hafsins okkar eru háð blómlegum stofnum.

Heimurinn er reiður yfir því að hvaladráp skuli enn eiga sér stað og leyfilegt á Íslandi. Þetta voðaverk er ekki hluti af Íslandssögunni.

Efnahags- og viðskiptasambönd Íslands eru í hættu þar sem ferðaþjónusta mun halda áfram að dragast saman. Margir kvikmyndagerðarmenn, leikarar og leikkonur heita því að stoppa aldrei fæti í fallega eylandi þínu.

Við vonum og biðjum svo sannarlega að Ísland sanni fyrir heiminum að þú ert leiðandi í sjávarvernd.

Þakka þér fyrir umhyggjusöm og vinsamlega tillitssemi.

Kind Regards,

Will Green

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Will Green

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Co-founder + Director

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Frá/from: Deborah Cannon
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
October 30, 2023
Dear Members of Parliament:
I write to you today from the UK to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.
Thank you for your time.
Kindest regards
Deborah Cannon

Frá/from: Bota Sadu
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
Please stop killing the whales
I support the ban on whale hunting

Frá/from: **Lucy Lakey**Views on Whaling in Iceland

Hallo,

It is my understanding that you are currently considering global opinion on the matter of banning whaling in Iceland and I felt inclined to voice my thoughts on the matter.

I am 100% in favor of permanently banning this practice, which is completely unnecessary and extremely barbaric.

I have visited Iceland multiple times and would love to call this place my home one day. The landscapes, culture, people and wildlife are what I fell in love with, the mass killing of beautiful sentient creatures is what I despise. Tourists and locals alike pay for boat tours to catch a glimpse of the giants of the sea, to witness them thriving in their natural habitat - so why on earth would anybody in their right mind condone the slaughter and consumption of these endangered species? Perhaps you have watched Seaspiracy, perhaps you haven't, but our ocean is dying due to overfishing. Why must the greed of man be the reason for more species to become extinct? Our children and our children's children may never believe there ever were such magnificent creatures as whales.

Thank you for taking time to read my thoughts.

Regards

Lucy Lakey

Frá/from: Emma Bartolomucci
Revoke the license
Hi there-
Concerned global citizen here. Kristjan Loftsson's disgusting whaling practices need to come to an end. It's a global disgrace to see this egotistical man killing huge mammals that not only help the oceanic ecosystem but also help with carbon drawdown.
His time is over. REVOKE THE LICENSE!
Thank you,
Emma Bartolomucci

Frá/from: **Айнур Калыбайкызы**

Umsögn via 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum logum vegna banns vio hvalveidum

I'm against whale hunting Kalybaikyzy Ainur 31/10/2023

Frá/from: ada- later
Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum
October 23, 2023
Dear Members of Parliament:
I write to you today from the Netherlands to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.
Thank you for your time.
Ada Versluis
Netherlands

Frá/from:	Lindsey	Moynes

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October 23, 2023

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Thank you for your time.

YOUR NAME

Frá/from: Ирина Пасько

Umsogn vid 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ymsum lögum vegna banns vid hvalveidum

24.10.2023 Pasko Irina

Halló! Ég styð bann við hvaladrápi og tel að lög sem leyfa að drepa svona falleg dýr spilli ímynd landsins. Við lifum í nútíma heimi þar sem ekki ætti að úthella blóði.

Frá/from: medioliv bel

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

31October 23, 2023

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Thank you for your time.

Alain BELKADI

Frá/from: Karla Tanner

Umsögn við hvalveiðum

My name is Karla Sharon Tanner

It is 31st October 2023

I want to stand with sea shepherd and show support for the bill to ban whaling in Icelandic waters.

Whaling by an arrogant lone business man is a blight on an otherwise beautiful nation.

Whale meat is not safe for human consumption. Environmental pollution such as but not limited to pesticides, PCBs, DDT, and heavy metals is known to concentrate in whale's tissues, the consumption of Any whale meat exposes the consumer to dangerous contaminants. Eating whale increases the consumers' risk of developing Parkinson's disease, hypertension, and arteriosclerosis.

Unborn babies who are exposed to methyl mercury in seafood such as whale meat risk developing cognitive deficiencies such as delays in all areas of development, including language and walking; inability to take to toilet training, development of heart defects and abnormal brain development.

Polychlorinated biphenyl (PCBs) usually found in whale flesh can cause nerve damage, reproductive and developmental disorders, immune system suppression, liver damage, skin irritation, and endocrine disruption.

Eating whale meat can expose you to Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane, commonly known as DDT, and this can lead to increased cancer risks, or expose you to neurological disorders such as back pain, cluster or tension headaches, seizures and stroke.

Mothers who eat whale meat while pregnant or breastfeeding expose their unborn and breastfeeding babies to increased risks of still birth, developmental disorders and other health problems.

So if whales are not being hunted for food their deaths are for their meat, their deaths are solely for the arrogant, frivolous

	Frá	/from:	Olaf	Tob	olev	vsk
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Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Hi,

my name is Olaf Tobolewski and I am from Poland. I don't enjoy wales being killed that is why I decided to write this email. Todays date is 31.10.2023.

Kind regards,

Olaf Tobolewski

Frá/from: Nina Suchodolska

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

Hi my name is Nina Suchodolska, I'm from Poland. Today's date is 31.10.2023. I am writing to you because I care about whales a lot. I hope you will take care of it.

Kind regards,

Nina Suchodolska

Frá/from: Joe Lahart
Whaling
I would like to state that I am totally behind banning whale fishing of any kind.
Kind Regards
Joe Lahart

Frá/from: Paula Kalt

Umsögn við 99. mál, frumvarp til laga um breytingu á ýmsum lögum vegna banns við hvalveiðum

October 23, 2023

Dear Members of Parliament:

I write to you today from Switzerland to kindly ask you to support the bill to ban whaling in beautiful Iceland. As we have seen documented in videos recently, whaling cannot fit within the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, whales are critical to marine ecosystems as they sequester carbon and stimulate the production of oxygen. I hope Iceland becomes a leader in protecting marine regions and species.

Thank you for your time.

Paula Kalt

Frá/from: Alison Oscar
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Thank you for your time.
Alison Oscar