

Whales need our help NOW!

We need to speak up for the whales..... They have no one to speak up for them but us!

CONTACT YOUR SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVES that the US should oppose any deal that would legitimize commercial whaling by granting quotas to Japan and its whaling allies.

United States Senators & House of Representatives

Please take action. Get involved!

[United States Senate - www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)

[United States House of Representatives - www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)

CALL THE WHITE HOUSE and leave a message for the President. We need to make our voices heard. The number is 202-456-1111

You can only leave a short message so tell them it is about whaling and that you want the President to know that the US should oppose any deal that would legitimize commercial whaling by granting quotas to Japan and its whaling allies. Instead, urge the President to support Australia's proposal, which would end whaling in the Southern Ocean once and for all. There is very widespread and bi-partisan US support for whale conservation.

EMAIL THE WHITE HOUSE and urge President Obama to keep his promise to oppose the resumption of commercial whaling.

Go to: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact>

Once you fill out your information you will come to Subject (use the dropdown box and highlight "I Have A Policy Comment". Then in the box below could check either under "other" or under "Environment". I sent two emails, one under "other" and one under "Environment" just to be sure the President got my message.

SAMPLE LETTER OR PERSONALIZE YOUR OWN MESSAGE:

President Obama:

Keep your promise to oppose the resumption of commercial whaling. By setting quotas you are rewarding countries like Japan, Norway, and Iceland that have violated the moratorium that has been in place since 1986. These countries have continued to flaunt the existing moratorium and have been lobbying vigorously for years to set quotas and an end to the ban. To reward them is wrong.

Setting quotas will not reduce the number of whales killed from the current moratorium that is in place. It would legitimize commercial whaling by suspending the moratorium in exchange for loosely enforced quotas based on recent catch data, not sound science. The proposal would leave enforcement of these quotas to the very same nations,

Japan, Iceland and Norway, who have been violating the current moratorium on commercial whaling, creating the potential for fraud and mismanagement. Whale populations suffer from ship strikes, manmade debris in ocean waters, and pollution, among other threats. Whales are not a farmable resource. No country should kill whales for profit or 'science' and the US would be wrong to favor the killing for any reason.

Be the leader that you promised to be by ensuring that the US opposes any deal that would legitimize commercial whaling by granting quotas to Japan and its whaling allies. Instead, I urge you to support Australia's proposal, which would end whaling in the Southern Ocean once and for all. There is very widespread and bi-partisan US support for whale conservation.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

WE ALSO NEED TO PUT PRESSURE ON JAPAN:

Japan has been whaling through a loophole of scientific whaling. Call and email the Japanese Embassy and urge them to support Australia's proposal.

OPEN: Monday-Friday HOURS: 9:00am-12:30pm and 2:00pm-5:30pm daily
PHONE: (202) 238-6700

To send comments to Japanese Government go to:

https://www.kantei.go.jp/foreign/forms/comment_ssl.html