

UNITED FOR WILDLIFE FINANCIAL TASKFORCE MANSION HOUSE DECLARATION

We, signatories to the Declaration of the United for Wildlife Financial Taskforce, recognise the devastating impact of the illegal wildlife trade (IWT) and will not knowingly facilitate or tolerate financial flows that are derived from IWT and associated corruption.

We agree to implement appropriate measures as part of our intention to improve the identification and reporting of this crime and contribute to the global fight against IWT.

As signatories, we commit to continue to engage on this topic through the implementation of these commitments, and by working through the Taskforce to evaluate the success and challenges associated with measures implemented.

We ask the entire finance industry to follow our lead and help combat IWT by signing this Declaration and supporting the implementation of these commitments.

COMMITMENTS

1. Take measures to increase awareness of IWT and the role of the financial industry in combatting it.
 2. Provide training to relevant staff within financial crime compliance functions to enhance their ability to identify and investigate potentially suspicious activity that may be related to IWT.
 3. Utilise current suspicious activity reporting mechanisms to provide intelligence related to potential IWT activity to the relevant regulatory body or law enforcement agency, where permitted by law.
 4. Review intelligence alerts received through the Taskforce and where relevant take appropriate action including due diligence screening and steps to identify, investigate and report potentially suspicious financial activity related to IWT.
 5. Consider additional actions, examples include policy amendments that would support the aims of the Taskforce in addition to financial crime related mechanisms.
 6. Support the work of the Taskforce, promote the Declaration and where possible support external mechanisms that enhance the ability of the financial industry to identify potentially suspicious activity related to IWT.
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