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SCI RESPONDS TO UK PARLIAMENT **PROPOSAL TO BAN TROPHY IMPORTS**

Safari Club International has learned of an effort to fast-track an importation ban on many, if not all hunting trophies into the UK.

The move was announced by the Minister for International Wildlife Zac Goldsmith. Under the new policy, hunters from the UK will no longer be able to bring heads, skins, or other body parts of wild animals from around the world.

On September 29, Safari Club International sent a letter to Minister Goldsmith and others outlining our great concern over the pending move along with several recommendations including the essential component of engaging with the environmental ministries of the countries that manage the wildlife that will be affected by a potential ban, including Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. It was emphasized that these countries should be consulted in order to fully understand the impact that a UK importation ban will have on the success of their conservation efforts.

At the same time, a second letter was sent to the embassies and ministers of the seven African countries that would be affected, notifying them of the issue and offering assistance in making contact with UK officials.

Recently 133 wildlife experts, in a letter to SCIENCE Magazine, placed scientific evidence over subjective sensitivities to recognize the importance of hunting in wildlife conservation. The authors also advised governments not to take actions that would undermine existing well-managed hunting programs. Although some of the wildlife experts admitted their personal discomfort with hunting, they noted that a "conservation policy that is not based on science threatens habitat and biodiversity and risks disempowering and impoverishing rural communities."

SCI encourages anyone with friends or associates in the UK wishing to making their voice known, to please direct them to find their MP at this link: https://www.parliament.uk/mps-lords-and-offices/mps/

They should act quickly and make sure their MP:

- Listens to the locals who manage the species

- Understands that revenue from legal hunting is used to fund conservation efforts
- Recognizes that poaching is the real threat



<u>Armchair Safari -</u> <u>Sport In The Eastern</u> Sudan

We marched eight miles to Wad Heleu on the Settit. We bagged some guinea fowl and saw a gazelle but had not had my rifle handy. When we came upon fresh lion tracks in the approach to the river, so we made a machan in the afternoon, intending to sit up for half an hour or so in the evening.

Hunting Argentina's La Pampa

Advocacy



America's Hunters Celebrate National Hunting And Fishing Day

The nation's hunters and anglers celebrated Saturday Sept. 28, the day set aside to recognize their contribution to America's conservation and wildlife management. The day of recognition was made official in 1972 when both houses of Congress unanimously passed legislation designating the fourth Saturday of every September as National Hunting and Fishing Day.

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SCIF Blue Bag For Tharros Child And Youth Care Center

On a recent trip to South Africa with Thormahlen & Cochran, Lisa and I wanted to continue our tradition of working with the SCIF Humanitarian efforts by taking a Blue Bag. Karen Crehan sent me a new Bell Family bag with a few items as a starter along with the suggested list of ideas on how to fill the bag.

There was an orphanage in Hankey, The Tharros Child & Youth Care Center. Driving through some of the small towns as we travelled from hunt concession to hunt concession, I was worried about how we would find an adequate place to shop. Mario assured me there was a local chain of stores, PEP, that made Walmart look expensive.

SWEEPSTAKES



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