



# The EU can **STOP** international trade in Polar Bears now.

The world population of polar bears is declining—and not only because of their shrinking ice habitat. The skins and products of hundreds of polar bears killed each year enter international trade and many of these come into the European Union.

The EU can stop this by supporting a United States' proposal that would end international commerce in polar bear parts and products.

The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) will meet soon to discuss this proposal to ban the international trade in polar bear products by listing the species on Appendix I.

**Humane Society International calls on EU Member States and the Commission to support the proposal and urges MEPs to lend their weight to this urgent request.**

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