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Dear friends,

I have very strong beliefs about whaling, and I can't help it. This earth belongs to us all, to live in and dwell in harmony. How could a person ever even conceive of killing something as amazing and gorgeous as a whale? It is unacceptable and evil. It has been proven over and over in the animal kingdom that animals are extremely intelligent, with strong feelings. Whales are no exception. This killing stuff is so dark ages. Can't we live in love and appreciation of the beauties of the earth? Killing an innocent animal is no different than killing another human being. It is all the same evil instinct, an instinct that should be so foreign to a humane person. There should be no killing at all, not of whales, seals, wolves, bison, deer, ducks, turkeys, etc. etc. etc.

As far as the Makah's go, I am one eighth Nez Perce. I absolutely love my Indian heritage. But, I feel like we all are, in the United States here, under one law. Again, we're not living in the dark ages. All those living in the States should be under exactly the same laws as everyone else. There is no other way. And ALL laws should be based on morality and humanity. Man does not own or control the animals of this earth. Whales don't belong to man. Who the heck do we think we are, anyway? It is not man's place to decide on the issues of life. It is man's place to protect life.

NO KILLING. NOT ONE WHALE KILLED! NOT NOW, NOT EVER!!! NO KILLING OF OUR BELOVED AND MAGNIFICENT WHALES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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