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This question of "cultural relativism" should also include the culture of the whales. I respect
all cultures up to the point of doing harm to others and there is no justification for the Makah
to kill whales other than to revive a cultural tradition which is harmful to others (whales). Killing or
otherwise harming others to continue an outdated cultural tradition is wrong and does not
belong in the 21st century. Other cultures have abandoned unsavory practices in
their own traditions and I think it is time for the Makah to abandon this violent, macho one.

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