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Hi, I just read that someone here is looking for input from the public about breastfeeding, so here's mine. I think the government should be spending money to raise awareness of the benefits of bf, to all social and economic groups. There should be public places that are set up for breastfeeding. Staff in hospitals and birthing centres should be unquestioningly supportive of bf, and women who can't bf for whatever reason shouldn't have to feel guilty about it. Companies such as [redacted] should be banned from advertising milk formulas, in fact there should be an embargo on [redacted] for what it does to poor developing nations in pushing their formulas onto new mothers.

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