

To Whom it may Concern,

I am writing a submission in reference to the Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009. Below is my personal view on the issue surrounding mandatory labelling of Palm Oil in food.

As a Human on this planet, who is equal in rights and value as any other Human or animal on this planet, I feel it necessary to state my feelings towards the Palm Oil debate. The exposure of the use of Palm Oil in everyday products on supermarket shelves has allowed me to gain insight and perspective on what needs to be done in terms of Palm Oil. For this matter though, I will only state my feelings towards the amendment of the Act stated above.

It is every Human's right to be treated in a manner which respects thier true nature of thier Humanity. Therefore, it is every Human's right to know what they are putting into or onto thier body. This is fundamental to being Human, and if we are to be Human, we need to respect all beings right to this. Why are people being subjected to forced consumption of Palm Oil, because they do not know there is Palm Oil in thier food? If this respect for peoples ability to be Human is to take place, mislabelling can go on no longer. We deserve to know what we are consuming, and make a decision based on this. People who are unaware of the devastation of Palm Oil production on the planet, no longer need to be forced to consume from a place of ignorance.

I am concerned about the consumers understanding of what they are consuming. When this amendment is made, people will be able to choose whether they want to consume or use a product created out of an environmental disaster, and will also be able to choose whether they want to consume food with a higher saturated fat content than they were aware. We, as Humans, have the right to know what we are putting into our bodies and our childrens bodies; and the choice to create the most harmonious outcome for our bodies is our choice.

With the labelling being a false indicator of what is in our food, the right to choose is taken away from most people out of sheer greed from the companies involved in using Palm Oil in thier products. Who are they to take away our choice as Human beings on this beautiful planet? Who are they to decide they can infiltrate our lives with this product which is solely fuelling thier greed for money? I choose not to consume or use any products containing Palm Oil, because I know that it is not in harmony with what my body needs at this time. So many people are just kept ignorant of the truth about the devastation of Palm Oil on our planet, and therefore do not know they have a choice.

Please change the legislation so all products must be labelled that they contain Palm Oil. It is our Human right to know this.

Thankyou for your time and consideration in reading this email,

Yous Sincerely,
Peace Courage