

I am writing with regard to the Food Standards Amendment Bill 2009 – Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil

I support the mandatory labelling of palm oil because as a consumer, I have a right to know what ingredients are in the products that I purchase. Also, as a conservationist, I am concerned about the current link between palm oil production and the rampant destruction of orangutan habitat. The mandatory labelling of palm oil would facilitate consumer awareness and education on this issue which in turn could stimulate a market for certified sustainable palm oil.

The United Nations declared 2010 to be the International **Year of Biodiversity**.

I want action from the government that supports the protection of biodiversity. Passing the above mentioned Bill in 2010 would reflect Australia's commitment to the United Nations spirit of International cooperation.

Yours Sincerely,  
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