

Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009

I wish to submit my support for the mandatory labelling of Palm Oil on all packaging.

The United Nations has warned that Orangutans could be extinct within a generation if we don't act quickly. The removal of habitat for the creation of palm oil plantations is contributing to this tragic loss. The destruction of precious habitats for endangered species such as orangutans through the harvesting of Palm Oil is unacceptable and unethical.

It is appalling to think that we as consumers cannot avoid purchasing any products containing palm oil. If mandatory labelling occurred, we could choose not to buy any products containing this oil, subsequently creating market pressure on companies to stop using Palm Oil.

Please pass the Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009 to ensure that all products are labelled if they contain Palm Oil.

I wish to confirm that I would like the secretariat to consider my email to be a submission and made public including publishing on the web.

Thank you

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