

To whom it may concern, actually it concerns everyone.....our oceans and marine life are under massive threat all over the planet. Overfishing, marine pollution, the trashing of our marine environment by pollution from plastics is horrendous. This is not the time to be winding back protection for our marine environment, we should be increasing our protection.

The marine environment is essential for the future of this planet and the human race. Over the last century we have raped the marine environment, we have destroyed complete fishing grounds.....eg the Grand Banks ( which, incidentally have now been sensibly protected by the Canadian government).....every week we see more and more reports of rogue vessels raping fishing grounds, shark fin poaching by the Chinese, whale killing by the Japanese, tooth fish poaching in the southern ocean.....it just goes on and on and is caused by human greed. When are our politicians going to do what is right rather than concentrating on only what gets them re-elected? My grandchi;Daren and yours deserve to inherit a healthy planet but we are trashing it with this ludicrous short term thinking. Why is the government winding these restrictions back.....it can only be money.....it's always money.....making the short term gains for the rich at the expense of this planet. This has to stop, we have to hold these Ocean rapists to account.