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Trophy Hunting

While I do not, ever, sign Early Day Motions (they are widely regarded in the House as “Parliamentary graffiti” because there are so many of them) I do most certainly wholeheartedly condemn the revolting practice of what is known as “trophy hunting”.

You will be gratified to know, I hope, that I am pursuing this in the House, using my position as Patron of the Conservative Animal Welfare Foundation, but I am also working with associates in California who are seeking to make a hearted documentary film for which funds are available and which will, we hope, when ultimately released make a dramatic impact where the practice is most widespread – in the United States.



When I attended the ‘Campaign to Ban Trophy Hunting’ event at parliament this is what I had to say, “The pastime of so- called ‘trophy hunting’ is one of the vilest acts of human aggression against animals. The idea that the tracking and slaughtering of proud wild animals in the name of ‘sport’ is in any civilised society acceptable is abhorrent. If we cannot swiftly end the licenced murder of big cats and other endangered species, then we can and should ban the product of that trade from our own country.”