

Dear President Zuma,

Please can you help save the rhinos? They are dramatically becoming extinct in a very shocking and painful way. Rhinos are shot from a helicopter with a tranquillizer gun then the poachers hack the horn off, leaving the animal to bleed to death which is a slow and agonising painful death. They are also shot with high powered hunting rifles. Often if the cow has a calf it's killed as well.

Hundreds of thousands of tourists come to South Africa every year to see the amazing wildlife. If the big five become extinct thousands of people won't have jobs and the country will lose all the money generated by tourism.

President Zuma, I challenge you to be the president the rhino need. Save the rhino and look after your people. Be remembered in history as the man who made the difference and stop the rhino poaching.

I live in hope that my children will see rhino.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Williams (11 years old)

(via email 9/17/12)