STOP
TORTOISE IMPORTATION FOR THE PET TRADE
NOW!

(Tortoises taken from the wild by the sack load)

"***Illegal tortoise trade is happening in Britain***" (DEFRA, 2004).
An estimated 10 million tortoises were shipped into the UK for the pet trade between 1890 and 1984 before the initial ban was introduced. **This trade is back!** … and tortoises are being imported in substantial numbers. However, DEFRA are failing to prevent this illegal trade and are in fact licensing it. These tortoises go through untold misery and often arrive here with chronic worm infestations and dehydrated, which far too often contributes to their early demise.

The Tortoise Protection Group (TPG) is campaigning for a ban on the importation of tortoises for the pet trade. Please help us keep tortoises in their natural environment by signing this petition.

We the undersigned support the TPG in its call for a ban on this cruel trade.

Name	Address	Signature

Please send completed petition form to:-
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