DON’T SMUGGLE ME... I COULD BE SICK

STOP BIRD SMUGGLING BEFORE DISEASES TAKE FLIGHT.

Avian influenza (H5N1) is a harmful disease that has occurred in a number of countries affecting migratory birds, poultry production, and human health. Avian influenza and other avian diseases, such as Exotic Newcastle Disease and parrot fever, can be spread via smuggled birds. You can make a difference. Protecting the United States from foreign animal diseases is key to keeping our bird populations healthy.

Not only does smuggling decrease the population of rare birds in the wild, it also increases the chance that a communicable bird disease could enter this country.

You can help! Call 1-800-BE ALERT to report bird smuggling or bird products being brought into the United States.

If you are carrying any of the following products, declare them:

- Poultry or other live birds, including pet birds
- Poultry meat
- Eggs
- Other products derived from poultry and other birds, such as unprocessed game trophies and feathers

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