Once again, radical anti-hunters are fanning their manufactured outrage at Safari Club International (SCI) and attempting to revive an outdated, inaccurate story about the organization. This move is nothing but a desperate cry for relevance and attention, considering their claims lack factual evidence.

Back in January 2021 anti-hunting groups wrongly accused SCI of utilizing deceptive tactics on social media to disseminate the truth about hunting and the positive impact it has on conservation efforts both in the U.S. and especially in Africa.

The truth is that in a misguided effort and unbeknownst to SCI, a sub-contracted vendor named Rally Forge took unauthorized action by using falsified social media accounts. While it is regrettable that Rally Forge betrayed the trust of the hunting community by unnecessarily resorting to questionable tactics, the information the vendor conveyed regarding hunting and conservation is verifiably true and is made no less relevant by its unsound methods of distribution.

What has been and remains true is that the best <u>scientific studies</u> to date show a clear positive link between long-term wildlife species health and legal, regulated hunting. This is especially true in many African range states, where wildlife officials recognize hunting as an <u>irreplaceable component of conservation</u>.

Furthermore, African officials are fighting an <u>uphill battle to convince Western countries</u> to not only believe in the science of hunting conservation, but also to convince Western politicians who are reflexively anti-hunting that they have the authority and the knowledge to know what is best for the sound conservation of wildlife and its habitats inside their own borders.

Uniformed anti-hunting groups instead insist their Western governments should declare bans on harvested wildlife imports and pursue hunting moratoriums that would cripple African conservation programs, all and only because these activists allow emotions to influence their decision making instead of the facts.

For more information on the science that supports the hunting industry, Hunt the Facts here.