



November 2018 - Eagle Uganda Report

1. INTRODUCTION

This report reflects the period from the whole month of January, 2019.

2. INVESTIGATIONS

INVESTIGATION INDICATORS		
# of investigations	# of investigations that lead to operations	# new targets identified
17	1	2

3. OPERATIONS

OPERATION INDICATORS			
# of operations	# of operations that lead to arrests	# suspect traffickers arrested	Contraband (specify units)
1	0	0	Ivory close to 80kgs

4. LEGAL

On the 31st of January URA (Uganda Revenue Authority) arrested 2 Vietnamese traffickers transporting 3,299kg of ivory and 423.7 kg. of pangolin scales. The culprits used modus operandi already seen by EAGLE in other offices in Africa: they pour wax into hollow tree trunks which then, they cover with wax and saw dust to make the cover look real.

The 2 suspects caught were Son Dong Nguyen (age 40) and Van Chieu Pham (aged 33).

We are following up with this case, trying to get as much information as possible. Next hearing is on the 21st of February.

LEGAL INDICATORS					
# of court prosecutions		Maximum sentence given	# of cases followed	# hearings visited	# jail visits
Court of first instance	Appeal court				
0	0	0	2	0	0

5. MEDIA

MEDIA INDICATORS				
# of total media pieces published	# of pieces on Radio	# of pieces on TV	# of pieces in national printed press	# internet articles in national press
0	0	0	0	

6. MANAGEMENT

Recruitment

- ✓ During the month of January, 3 interviews were carried out. From these 1 was for the post of investigator, another for accountant and another for legal advisor.
- ✓ 1 investigator was dismissed after failing at various issues when on a field mission.

MANAGEMENT INDICATORS	
# investigators on test	4
# legal advisors on test	1
# advocates on test	0
# media journalists on test	0
# accountants on test	1
# internal trainings	3
# external trainings	0

- ✓ Amendment papers to the correct NGO name are finished and the final papers for EAGLE's registration is completed.

7. EXTERNAL RELATIONS

The following meetings were held with the office coordinator during November:

- ✓ 1 meeting with John Okot, intelligence department in UWA. Warned- advised- on how we cannot proceed with any operations until the right MoUs and procedures are followed and terminated.
- ✓ The MoU was sent to ED of UWA.

Met with Anna Merrifield- Head of Political Section and Aloys Lorkeers- Head of Section of Sustainable Development from the EU Delegation. EU is trying to think of ways of how they could through both the political and development work support work against trafficking of natural resources (both wildlife and minerals) via Uganda, and of course also cooperate with our EU colleagues regionally on the topic.

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EXTERNAL RELATIONS INDICATORS	
# of external meetings	2
# of requests for collaboration or support	0
# follow-up meetings related to ongoing agreements/ collaborations	1
# meetings to renew agreements/ collaborations	0
# EAGLE trainings requested from external parties	0
# EAGLE trainings carried out for external parties	0
# EAGLE presentations requested from external parties	0
# EAGLE presentations carried out for others	0

8. DESIRED ACTIONS

- ✓ To get more training on the procedures of EAGLE
- ✓ To get financial training for accountant who will be on test
- ✓ To get external training for the investigators on test
- ✓ To get external training for the legal advisors on test
- ✓ To get at least one successful operation via NRCN

9. CONCLUSION

In the next month's it's planned to achieve the following:

- ✓ Agree and sign the lease for an office space
- ✓ Get 1 more legal assistant or advocate on board for testing period.
- ✓ Get 1 or more investigators on test
- ✓ Update on MoU with UWA
- ✓ Begin talks with other entities for collaboration