



July 2019 - Eagle Uganda Report

1. INTRODUCTION

This report reflects the period from the whole month of July, 2019. Due to a reorganization and the lack of personnel for the investigations department, not many indicators were achieved.

The coordinator resigned and her period ended on June 30th and there was conversation to what other position she might continue with, however with a reduction of time. Due to these substantial changes, there was also a delay in activities with not much action happening during the month of July.

2. INVESTIGATIONS

Due to the lack of investigators continuing the test period and lack of recruitment for new ones, this department continues to have nil results.

There were 10 missions carried out by the 2 investigators (5 each) on test during the first week of July within Kampala. However, all were unfruitful and without any extraordinary result.

The 2 investigators on test had their test period terminated on the 5th of July.

INVESTIGATION INDICATORS		
# of investigations	# of investigations that lead to operations	# new targets identified
10	0	0

3. OPERATIONS

Due to the lack of investigators continuing the test period and lack of recruitment for new ones, this department continues to have nil results.

OPERATION INDICATORS			
# of operations	# of operations that lead to arrests	# suspect traffickers arrested	Contraband (specify units)
0	0	0	-

4. LEGAL

- Eagle Uganda continued supporting the URA with the Vietnamese case. The Vietnamese case is very complex investigation since it implicates a large well organized criminal network of Vietnamese working in the timber business in Uganda used as a front for their illegal businesses. Besides the illegal business of trafficking with ivory and pangolin scales, this network is most probably also dealing with illegal timber coming from South Sudan, DRC and CAR. Which is another investigation on it's self also being studied.
- Part of the difficulty of this case is trying to get the right evidence that can make a clear court case to get the Vietnamese who are in custody sentenced for possession of illegal wildlife products.
- Eagle Uganda attended the mention of the Vietnamese case at the anti-corruption court on the 11th of July. The case will come again for mention on the 27th of August for full disclosure of evidence and filing of the joint memorandum. The hearing of the case shall be on 17th to 19th of September.
- The legal department began the drafting of the MoU between EAGLE Uganda and URA.
- The legal department obtained permission to access and print the data at the Standards, Utilities and Wildlife Court to enable us follow up on cases there.

LEGAL INDICATORS					
# of court prosecutions		Maximum sentence given	# of cases followed	# hearings visited	# jail visits
Court of first instance	Appeal court				
0	0	0	1	1	0

MEDIA

EAGLE Uganda hasn't employed a media officer so this explains the reason for the lack of results in this department.

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	

5. FINANCIALS AND MANAGEMENT

- During the month of July, EAGLE Uganda had 2 investigators on test who were unable to complete their test period due to lack of results.
- Held successful detailed 2-day meeting on team dynamics with the Director/Founder.
- The bank account name was corrected on both USD and UGX accounts and new check books were requested.
- The accountant was added as a signatory to the Ugandan shillings account for easiness of money transfers.
- EAGLE Uganda organized and held an interview for one investigator who didn't pass.
- The legal assistant called the interviewee to explain his unsuccessful pass to the next interview stage.
- The accountant organized logistics for the Director Ofir Drori on his trip to Uganda.
- Prepared weekly budgets for EAGLE team and had them approved accordingly.

- Presented financial report for July on expected schedule.
- Successfully prepared the budget for August.
- One legal advisor continued with her test period which began late June.
- MoU with UWA sent to legal department upon request.
- Ofir carried out a training at the URA- Investigations Unit team. Theme was on Corruption in different departments: how to identify them and how to work against them.
- Ofir met the URA officially and established new relationship
- Ofir met the Country Coordinator during several sessions and ideas for continuing working together were agreed upon.
- Reorganization of the team was agreed and options drawn out to be decided in one month.
- The manual for “Fostering Activism” was read by the team and discussed.

MANAGEMENT INDICATORS	
# investigators on test	2
# legal advisors on test	1
# advocates on test	0
# media journalists on test	0
# accountants on test	0
# internal trainings	1
# external trainings	1

6. EXTERNAL RELATIONS

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

