THE EAGLE NETWORK

WILDLIFE LAW ENFORCEMENT

September 2019 - Eagle Uganda Report

1. INTRODUCTION

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

2. INVESTIGATIONS

The Vietnamese case is an ongoing investigation and there have been some activities regarding this case- a new site search, however nothing was found on the location.

All bank accounts found since the investigation began in February were all collected on one document and shared to see if more financial investigation can be sought. This is still pending.

INVESTIGATION INDICATORS			
# of investigations	# of investigations that lead to operations	# new targets identified	
9	0	0	

Two new candidates for investigators have been put on test after passing the recruitment process. At the moment till date there have been no identified targets or investigations.

3. OPERATIONS

EAGLE Uganda had zero results on operations, reason is investigators have just started their test period, end of September.

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

4. LEGAL

LEGAL INDICATORS					
# of court prosecutions		Maximum sentence given	# of cases followed	# hearings visited	# jail visits
Court of first instance	Appeal court				
1	0	0	1	2	0

- Added sections to the procedural legal handbook.
- Wrote a paper on evidentiary matters concerning expert evidence and exhibits.
- Finalised volunteer contracts for the investigators on test.
- Attended the launch of the Uganda Judiciary Scorecard.

5. MEDIA

EAGLE Uganda hasn't employed a media officer so this explains the reason for the lack of results in this department. Until we get the team of investigators fully on board this department will be dormant.

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

6. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION/MANAGEMENT

Several activities have been on-going for the month of September as summarized below:

Finance

- September Financial Report was successfully submitted and approved.
- EAGLE Uganda weekly operational budgets were submitted and approved on time.
- EAGLE Uganda, weekly resource/fund accountabilities were effectively submitted on time.
- October Budget was submitted.

Administration

- Proper procedure for recruitment of investigators was settled among CCU and Eagle
 Uganda team.
- PSO developed a recruitment ad for volunteer investigators and spread the message through different contacts receiving over 22 resumes which were then sorted and only 10 passed to the next round of the selection process.
- A report was done for CCU on the candidate selection by the PSO.
- EAGLE Uganda carried out 10 interviews and reported on the findings of the candidates selected. After the face to face interview, shortlisted candidates from that step underwent a phone call interview. From the initial 10, two successful candidates began their test period end of September.
- Hanh returned to Uganda from the 17th 19th of September to continue as interpreter for the Vietnamese trial, held during those two days.
- Logistics for visit of Hanh and Ofir during the month of September were handled well by office.
- MoU between URA and Eagle Uganda has been sent to the assistant customs commissioner and is on their table for any comments and changes needed.
- Process of validation for the NGO was concluded and approved emails were sent as a guarantee of received information of the NGO online.
- Ofir Drori visited the office from the 26th to 27th of September for follow- up, institutional meetings and also training of URA team and office team.
- Meeting with tax consultant was fruitful. The tax consultant updated the EAGLE
 Uganda office of the NGO needs in Uganda regarding the hiring of two staff members,
 and proper tax regulations for the organization.
- Interrogation training part II was held at the EAGLE office with all the staff and carried out by Ofir Drori.
- The PSO drafted the THF MoU which was agreed with Ofir to change to a Project agreement between THF and EAGLE Uganda.

- Continued strategical work between Ofir and PSO during Ofir's visit.
- A draft of EAGLE Uganda safety rules was compiled and submitted to CCU for approval and adoption.
- Major electrical and internet black outs were successfully handled by the respective service providers after 5 days of low activity at the offices

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

7. EXTERNAL RELATIONS

- Interrogation training carried out with URA investigations unit lead by Ofir Drori.
- Meeting was held with Peter Sewakiryanga- founder and director of Kyampisi
 Ministries which is a local organization fighting child sacrifice and also child trafficking.
 There was an agreement among both organizations to give them support on structure
 and possible future trainings from Ofir for his team.

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

# EAGLE presentations requested from	1
external parties	
# EAGLE presentations carried out for others	1