



## China's Wildlife Enforcement News Digest (September 2015)

### Yuzhou forest police uncovered a case of illegal purchase of endangered animals



**2015-9-4, Yulin, Guangxi**— In the morning, according to a phone report from local people, Yuzhou forest police seized 3 live Siamese crocodiles and other wild animals without permit from a van parking at the railway station in Yuzhou district. It was verified that the suspect Luo bought 3 crocodiles from Ms. Lan in Guangzhou by phone and Wechat, and was going to use them for animal exhibition in Yulin. At present, the suspect Luo has been arrested and the case is under further investigation. [Read More](#)

### An antique shopkeeper was sentenced to 15 years in prison for smuggling 18 ivory tusks from Japan

**2015-9-7, Qingdao, Shandong Province**— In October 2014, Qingdao customs in post office seized 18 ivory

tusks (131.26kg) from 7 parcels sent from Japan. According to the recipient's phone number, police arrested Tai Dongming, an antique shopkeeper in Yantai Wanguang Curio City. Recently, Tai was sentenced to 15 years in prison and fined RMB 200,000 by Qingdao Intermediate People's Court. [Read More](#)

### Xishuangbanna Border seized 210 snapping turtles



**2015-9-8, Xishuangbanna, Yunnan Province** — Yesterday, border police of Xishuangbanna found 6 large cartons in a logistics truck from Menghai to Guangzhou. After careful checking, 210 snapping turtles, the national first class protected animal, were found in the cartons. At present, the case is under further investigation. [Read More](#)



### Guiyang forest police uncovered a case of illegal sale of wild animals through internet

**2015-9-9, Guiyang, Guizhou Province** — Recently, Guiyang forest police successfully uncovered a case of illegal online trafficking, and seized 27 protected animals in Wandong Flower-Bird Market. Then, police found out that the suspect He bought 38 ball pythons and 2 red tail boas through Wechat and QQ from Chongqing, Guangdong, etc. in four times during March to June this year. At present, the suspect has been arrested and the case is under further investigation. [Read More](#)

### Dehong forest police seized 219 pieces of wild animal product, including rhino horn



**2015-9-10, Dehong, Yunnan Province**— On July 25<sup>th</sup>, according to a clue, Dehong forest police found that someone was selling wild animal products in Wanding Development Zone of Ruili City. After investigation, on August 6<sup>th</sup>, police arrested the suspect Huang and two other suspects in Wanding Town and Dehong city, and seized 219 wild animal products in Huang's craft shop.

After identification, the seized products worth RMB 1,390,000, including 10 tiger bones (1300g), 6 pieces of rhino horns, 27 Asian ivory products, 2 pieces of Asian elephant skin (580g), 2 pieces of pangolin scale and 128g rhino horn products, etc. [Read More](#)

### A woman was sentenced to six and half years in prison for smuggling ivory



**2015-9-15, Beijing**— In December 2013, customs seized 6 ivory products wrapped with tinfoil in Jiang's luggage, who had just arrived in Beijing airport from Ivory Coast. After identification, the seized ivory products weighed 14.535kg and were worth RMB 605,629.84. Recently, Jiang was sentenced to six and half years in prison and fined RMB 60,000 by the Fourth Intermediate People's Court of Beijing. [Read More](#)



**Shenzhen border seized 282 endangered turtles in a joint operation with Hong Kong police**



**2015-9-20, Shenzhen, Guangdong Province—** Recently, Shenzhen border combined with Hong Kong police seized 282 endangered turtles in 13 boxes at Sha Tau Kok Public Pier. At present, the species of seized turtles are under identification and the case has been transferred to relevant departments.

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**Hekou Inspection and Quarantine Bureau seized illegal smuggling pangolin scales**

**2015-9-20, Hekou, Yunnan Province—** Recently, Hekou Inspection and Quarantine Bureau seized 1kg pangolin scales worth RMB 7,500 hidden in a Vietnamese woman's bag at Hekou border. Then the seized scales were transferred to relevant departments for further identification. This woman was educated by relevant regulations. [Read More](#)

**Two live pangolins were seized in Sichuan and one man was arrested**



**2015-9-21, Panzhihua, Sichuan Province—** Two live pangolins were found in a Benz car by Panzhihua police at Tianfang toll station this afternoon. It was verified that the driver Yang spent RMB 16,000 on buying them from a stranger in Kunming, Yunnan Province, and was going to bring back to Nanchong, Sichuan. At present, Yang has been arrested and the case is under further investigation. [Read More](#)

**Jinling customs seized endangered wild animal products**

**2015-9-25, Nanjing, Jiangsu Province—**The Jinling airport customs found 11 pieces of tortoise product in a passenger's (from Hong Kong) luggage, including 115g of bracelet and comb. The customs detained the



passenger and his luggage according to law.

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### **Kunming forest police seized 6551g wild animal products**

**2015-9-26, Kunming, Yunnan Province**— According to public reports and investigation, Kunming forest police arrested four suspects who sold wild animal products illegally under the cover of selling Chinese medicine in Xiangyin Market, Fumin County. The police seized 5502g pangolin scales and 1049g other animal products. The suspects confessed that they purchased these products from other sites of Kunming city such as the Medicine Wholesale Market in Luoshiwan, the Chijiu Town in Fumin County and the Majie Town in Xishan District. [Read More](#)

### **Qiqihar forest police detected a case of illegal trade of wild animal products**



**2015-9-28, Qiqihar, Heilongjiang Province**— Early June, according to the masses clues, Qiqihar forest police arrested three suspects in Arong County, Inner Mongolia, after a day and two nights of waiting. They seized 100kg of bear paw, 250kg of other wild animal products at the site. Meanwhile, police separately arrested three other suspects in Qiqihar and Changbai County, who were involved in this case, too.

According to the confession of suspects, the source man of bear paw was arrested in Yushu, Jilin Province. At present, the case is under further investigation.

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