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Taiwan Taoyuan Airport Customs Seized 87 Live Wild Animals Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 21 May 2024

Seizure Date: 19 May 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Taiwan Taoyuan Airport Customs

Location: Taoyuan International Airport, Taiwan Province

Detection Method: Intelligence Analysis and Risk Assessment

Species: Sunda slow loris (*Nycticebus coucang*), Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I; common marmoset (*Callithrix jacchus*), CITES II; Senegal bushbaby (*Galago senegalensis*), CITES II; Asian Barred Owlet (*Glaucidium cuculoides*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; Green iguana (*Iguana iguana*), CITES II; Nile monitor (*Varanus niloticus*), CITES II; Indian star tortoise (*Geochelone elegans*), CITES I; Malayan snail-eating turtle (*Malayemys macrocephala*), CITES II; Elongated tortoise (*Indotestudo elongata*), Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II; 87 in total

Transport Method: Concealed on Inbound Passenger (strapped all over suspect's body)

Country of Export: Thailand (Bangkok)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1 (Female, 64 years old, previous convictions for concealing live wild animals)

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Quanzhou Customs Seized One Tiger Tooth Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 3 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Quanzhou Customs

Location: Quanzhou City, Fujian Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: One tiger (*Panthera tigris*) Tooth, 60g, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I

Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage ("Nothing to declare" channel)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Customs has detained the seizures in accordance with the law.

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Hong Kong West Kowloon Station Customs Seized Five African Blackwood Products Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 3 June 2024
Law Enforcement Authority: Hong Kong West Kowloon Station Customs
Location: Hong Kong SAR West Kowloon Station Mainland Location
Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)
Species: Five African blackwood (*Dalbergia melanoxylon*) products, total 14.1 kg, CITES II
Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage (Wrapped in newspaper)
Location of Export: Hong Kong SAR
Reason for Seizure: Smuggling
Number of Offenders: 1

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Qingdao Jiaodong Airport Customs Seized Five Asian Black Bear Paws Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 3 June 2024
Law Enforcement Authority: Qingdao Jiaodong Airport Customs
Location: Qingdao Jiaodong International Airport, Shandong Province
Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)
Species: Five Asian Black Bear (*Ursus thibetanus*) paws (including three fore paws and two hind paws), total 3.05 kg, four of them had intact black fur and one was skinned, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES I
Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage
Reason for Seizure: Smuggling
Number of Offenders: 1

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Luzhou Customs Seized 16 Red Coral Products in an Inbound Parcel



News Release Date: 4 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Luzhou Customs

Location: Luzhou City, Anhui Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection (CT machine)

Species: 16 Red Coral (*Corallium spp.*) Products, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES III (four species from the Pacific Ocean: *C. japonicum*, *C. elatius*, *C. konojoi* and *C. secundum*)

Transport Method: Inbound Parcel

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

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Xiamen Airport Customs Seized Six Hawksbill Turtle Bangles Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 4 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Xiamen Airport Customs

Location: Xiamen Gaoqi International Airport, Fujian province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)

Species: Six Hawksbill Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) Bangles, Total 83.65 g, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I

Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage ("Nothing to declare" channel)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Customs has detained the seizures in accordance with the law.

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Hangzhou Xiaoshan Airport Customs Seized Ten Fluted Giant Clam Shells Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 4 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Hangzhou Xiaoshan Airport Customs

Location: Hangzhou Xiaoshan International Airport, Zhejiang Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)

Species: 10 Fluted Giant Clam (*Tridacna squamosa*) Shells, Total 16.866 kg, Class II of National Protected Species (Wild population only), CITES II

Transport Method: Inbound Passenger's Check-in Luggage ("Nothing to declare" channel; hidden in clothes in two suitcases)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

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Fuzhou Changle Airport Customs Seized 439 Whale Bone Products Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 8 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Fuzhou Changle Airport Customs

Location: Fuzhou Changle International Airport, Fujian Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)

Species: 242 Sperm Whale (*Physeter macrocephalus*) Bone Products, Total 1.81 kg, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I; 197 Humpback Whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) Bone Products, Total 1.78 kg, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I

Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage ("Nothing to declare" channel)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

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Liantang Customs Seized Three Live Hermann's Tortoise Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 9 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Liantang Customs
Location: Liantang Port, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: Three live Hermann's Tortoise (*Testudo hermanni*), CITES II

Transport Method: Concealed on Inbound Passenger (left and right thighs)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

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Rizhao Customs Seized 23 Red Coral Products in Imported Goods



News Release Date: 11 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Rizhao Customs

Location: Rizhao City, Shandong Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: 23 Red Coral (*Corallium spp.*) Products, including Ornaments, beads necklaces and earrings etc. net weight 251.4 g, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES III (four species from the Pacific Ocean: *C. japonicum*, *C. elatius*, *C. konojoi* and *C. secundum*)

Transport Method: Imported Goods (Containers; Declared as "imitation jewelry")

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

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Hong Kong Customs Seized Suspected Protected Shark in Exported Goods



News Release Date: 12 June 2024

Seizure Date: 6 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Hong Kong Customs

Location: Black Point, Hong Kong SAR

Detection Method: Intelligence Analysis and Risk Assessment

Species: Suspected protected Shark (*Elasmobranchii spp.*) Fins, CITES I/II/III

Transport Method: Exported Goods (also seized bird nests, bags, and clothes)

Location of Export: Hong Kong SAR

Destination Location: Macao SAR

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Estimated Value: HK \$10 million (about CNY 9.3074 million)

Case Progress: The case is under investigation.

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Huanggang Customs Seized Six Live Common Box Turtle Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 17 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Huanggang Customs

Location: Futian Port, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: Six live Common Box Turtle (*Terrapene carolina*), CITES II

Transport Method: Concealed on Inbound Passenger (Two are hidden in a special pocket inside the vest, and four are tied to the waist with a special belt)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1

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Lianyungang Customs Seized Two Giant Clams Shells Carried by an Inbound Crew



News Release Date: 20 June 2024

Seizure Date: 16 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Lianyungang Customs

Location: Lianyungang City, Jiangsu Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: 2 Giant Clams (*Tridacnidae* spp.) Shells, Total 4 kg, Class I/II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Transport Method: Inbound Crew Baggage

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

Number of Offenders: 1 (Crew Member)

Case Progress: Customs has detained the seizures in accordance with the law.

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Yantai Customs Seized 50 Pieces of Agarwood in an Inbound Parcel



News Release Date: 23 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Yantai Customs

Location: Yantai City, Shandong Province

Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)

Species: 50 Pieces of Agarwood (*Aquilaria* spp.), Total 3.168 kg, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Transport Method: Inbound Parcel (Declared as "clothing"; each of agarwood pieces is accompanied by a number and the outer layer is covered with foil tray on all sides)

Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

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Wuhan Xigang Customs Seized Two Hawksbill Turtle Bachi in Imported Goods



News Release Date: 24 June 2024
Law Enforcement Authority: Wuhan Xigang Customs
Location: Xingang in Wuhan City, Hubei Province
Detection Method: Routine Inspection
Species: Two Hawksbill Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) Bachi, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I
Transport Method: Imported Goods (Containers)
Reason for Seizure: Smuggling

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Nanjing Lukou Airport Customs Seized One Stone Coral Product Carried by an Inbound Passenger



News Release Date: 25 June 2024
Seizure Date: 19 June 2024
Law Enforcement Authority: Nanjing Lukou Airport Customs
Location: Nanjing Lukou International Airport, Jiangsu Province
Detection Method: Routine Inspection (Machine Inspection)
Species: One Stone Coral (*Scleractinia* spp.) Product, about 1.31 kg, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II
Transport Method: Inbound Passenger Luggage
Reason for Seizure: Smuggling
Number of Offenders: 1

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Inner Mongolia Linhe Public Security Bureau Seized One Siberian Ibex Skull Product and Arrested One Suspect



News Release Date: 5 June 2024

Seizure Date: 25 April 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Food, Drug and Environmental Crime Investigation Brigade of Bayannur Municipal Public Security Bureau Linhe Branch

Location: A stall in Linhe District, Bayannur City, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: One Siberian Ibex (*Capra sibirica*) Skull Product, Class II of National Protected Species

Reason for Seizure: Illegal acquisition and sale

Estimated Value: Over CNY 40,000

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: At present, the police has taken compulsory measures for the suspect LIU pending trial according to law, and the case is being further investigated.

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Qinghai Batang Township Police Station Seized Four Musk Sacs of Chinese Forest Musk Deer and Arrested Five Suspects

News Release Date: 11 June 2024

Seizure Date: 14 December 2023

Law Enforcement Authority: Dangtou Village Forest Rangers and Batang Township Police Station

Location: The vehicle driven by suspects in Dangtou village, Batang Township, Yushu City, Qinghai Province

Detection Method: Ranger patrol and called the police

Species: Four Musk sacs of Chinese Forest Musk Deer (*Moschus berezovskii*), Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II

Transport Method: Vehicle

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (steel traps) and transportation

Number of Offenders: 5

Case Progress: Five suspects, including WANG, have been arrested with the support of Garze police in Sichuan province. After questioning, the five suspects confessed to harming rare and endangered wild animals. The case is currently under investigation.

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Daozhen Autonomous County Public Security Seized 29 Live Chinese Hwamei and Arrested One Suspect



News Release Date: 13 June 2024

Seizure Date: 12 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Forestry Police and Daqian Inspection Point of Daozhen County

Location: The vehicle driven by the suspect in Daozhen Mulao and Miao Autonomous County, Zunyi City, Guizhou Province

Hunting Site: A mountain forest in Nanchuan, Chongqing

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: 29 Live Chinese Hwamei (*Garrulax canorus*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Transport Method: Geely Car (License plate number F15***; Coming from Chongqing; Hidden in cages piled high in the back seat and trunk)

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (Mist-nets; the suspect claimed that he was going to take it back to Jinsha County and sell the birds to make money for his family)

Number of Offenders: 1 (Surname JIANG, from Jinsha County, Bijie City, Guizhou Province)

Case Progress: At present, the case is under further processing.

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Nangqian County Public Security Bureau Seized Four Alpine Musk Deer Corpses and One Musk Sac and Arrested Five Suspects



News Release Date: 13 June 2024

Seizure Date: 12 April 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Forest Police Brigade of Nangqian County Public Security Bureau

Location: A Mountain in Zhongshuqia Village, Maozhuang Township, Nangqian County, Yushu Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Qinghai Province

Method: Case Clue

Species: Four Alpine Musk Deer (*Moschus chrysogaster*) Corpses, one musk, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (homemade traps), transportation and sale (four musks)

Number of Offenders: 5

Case Progress: At present, the suspects DENG, DAN, LUO, YI and MA have been taken criminal compulsory measures by the Nangqian County Public Security Bureau for the crime of harming precious and endangered wild animals, and the case is further investigated.

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Shihezi Mosuowan Reclamation Area Public Security Bureau Seized Over 30 Wild Desert-broomrapes and Arrested Three Suspects



News Release Date: 14 June 2024

Seizure Date: 4 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Mosuowan Reclamation Area Public Security Bureau of The Eighth Division of Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps in Shihezi City

Location: Mosuowan Reclamation Area of the Eighth Division of Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps, Shihezi City, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region

Detection Method: Case Clue

Species: Over 30 Wild Desert-broomrapes (*Cistanche deserticola*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal harvest (soak wine; without a wild plant collection permit)

Number of Offenders: 3

Case Progress: At present, the suspects ZHOU, DENG and DENG *hai have been taken criminal coercive measures in accordance with the law, and the case is under further investigation.

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Longnan Public Security Bureau Seized Over 1,000 Round Kumquats and Arrested Three Suspects



News Release Date: 16 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Forest Police of Longnan Public Security Bureau

Location: Suspects home and orchard greenhouses in Wenlong Town, Longnan County-level City, Ganzhou City, Jiangxi Province

Harvest Site: Mountain farm in the Jiahu Township of Longnan County-level City and Beitou Town and Nanjing Town of Quannan County

Detection Method: Cyber Patrol

Species: Over 1000 Round Kumquats (*Fortunella venosa*), Class II of National Protected Species

Reason for Seizure: Illegal harvest (without a wild plant collection permit), breeding and sale (Online)

Number of Offenders: 4

Case Progress: At present, the four suspects HUANG *ping, ZENG *feng, HUANG *lin, and ZENG *fang have been taken criminal coercive measures, and the case is under further investigation.

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Qufu Public Security Bureau Seized One Hawksbill Turtle Juvenile Specimen, Arrested Two Suspects



News Release Date: 18 June 2024

Seizure Date: 17 May 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Food, Drug and Environmental Crime Investigation Brigade and Internet Censorship Brigade of Qufu Public Security Bureau

Location: Qufu City, Qingdao City, Shandong Province

Detection Method: Case Clue

Species: One Juvenile Hawksbill Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) Specimen, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES I

Reason for Seizure: Illegal Trading (WeChat)

Estimated Value: CNY 80,000; The transaction price is CNY 4,350

Number of Offenders: 2

Case Progress: At present, the two suspects LI and KONG have been taken criminal compulsory measures according to law, and the case is under further investigation.

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Lufeng City Public Security Bureau Seized the Fur, Foot and Bones with Meat of Chinese Forest Musk Deer and Arrested One Suspect



News Release Date: 21 June 2024

Seizure Date: 7 March 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Food, Drug and Environmental Crime Investigation Brigade of Lufeng Public Security Bureau

Location: The Suspect's home in Caiyun Town, Lufeng City, Yunnan Province

Hunting Site: The Laobao Mountain near the Pengxi Village Committee, Caiyun town

Species: Chinese Forest Musk Deer (*Moschus berezovskii*), fur, foot, and bones with meat, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (Steel Traps)

Estimated Value: CNY 24,000

Number of Offenders: 1 (Surname ZHANG)

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Susong County Public Security Bureau Seized 11 Wild Faber's Cymbidium and Arrested Three Suspects



News Release Date: 27 June 2024

Seizure Date: 1 April 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Food, Drug and Environmental Crime Investigation Brigade and Erlang Station of Susong County Public Security Bureau

Harvest Site: Erlang Street, Susong County, Anqing City, Anhui Province; the mountainous area in Susong County

Detection Method: Routine Inspection

Species: 11 Wild Faber's Cymbidium (*Cymbidium faberi*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal harvest, acquisition, and sale

Number of Offenders: 3

Case Progress: Eleven wild orchids were handed over to the Susong County Wildlife Management Station for protective transplanting. On 26 June 2024, the three suspects have been transferred to the procuratorial authority for prosecution.

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Xingyang People's Court Heard Two Cases of Illegally Purchasing and Selling Four Cinereous Vulture and Four Bear Furs, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 3 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 16 February 2020

Law Enforcement Authority: Xingyang Forest Public Security Bureau

Judicial Authority: Xingyang People's Court, Xingyang People's Procuratorate

Location: Xingyang County-level City, Zhengzhou City, Henan Province

Species: Four Cinereous Vulture (*Aegypius monachus*), Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II; two furs of Asian Black Bear (*Ursus thibetanus*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES I; two furs of Brown Bear (*Ursus arctos*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES I/II

Transport Method: Vehicle

Reason for Seizure: Illegal acquisition and sale

Estimated Value: CNY 15,300 (purchase price including CNY 7,300 for four birds and CNY 8,000 for four bear furs)

Number of Offenders: 5 (Sentenced separately, and one defendant was tried in this case)

Case Progress: The court of first instance sentenced defendant HE to six years' imprisonment and a fine of CNY 20,000 for the crime of illegally acquiring, transporting and selling precious and endangered wildlife and precious and endangered wildlife products; defendant HE's illegal profits were to be recovered, a bears fur was to be confiscated and surrendered to the state treasury, and four vultures were to be confiscated and handed over to the wildlife protection authorities of the people's government of Xingyang City to be dealt with in accordance with the law. The Xingyang City People's Court pronounced its verdict, and defendant HE lodged an appeal. On February 16, 2020, the Intermediate People's Court of Zhengzhou City made a decision of the second instance, rejecting the appeal and upholding the original verdict.

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Li County People's Court Heard Three Cases of Illegally Hunting and Selling Alpine Stream Salamander, Five People Were Charged



News Release Date: 5 June 2024

Court Date: 5 June 2024

Judicial Authority: Li County People's Court, Li County People's procuratorate

Hunting Site: Gaoshan Lake in Shangmeng Township, Li County and Jiulonggou Lake in Mao County, Aba Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous Prefecture, Sichuan Province

Species: Alpine Stream Salamander (*Batrachuperus tibetanus*), Class II of National Protected Species

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting and sale (dried out)

Estimated Value: The sale price is CNY 750,780 per 500g.

Number of Offenders: 5

Case Progress: Li County People's Procuratorate accused five defendants of crimes of harming precious and endangered wildlife, requesting that the five defendants be held criminally liable according to law. On 5 June, Li County People's Court held a public hearing and combined the three cases of harming precious and endangered wildlife suspected by the defendants, LIU *(a), YANG, LIU *(b), ZHU and CHEN.

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Cenxi Court Heard a Case of Illegally Purchasing Three Collared Scops Owl and Having Other Wildlife, One Person Was Sentenced



News Release Date: 5 June 2024

Seizure Date: 3 January 2024

Judicial Authority: Cenxi Court

Location: Near a supermarket and defendant's residence in Cenxi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region

Species: Three Collared Scops Owl (*Otus lettia*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; the wildlife with important ecological, scientific, and social value, one Cobra (*Naja* spp.), one Oriental Rat Snake (*Ptyas mucosa*) (Wild populations only), two Cantor's Rat Snakes (*Ptyas dhumnades*), four Chinese Bamboo Rats (*Rhizomys sinensis*), 26 Masked palm civets (*Paguma larvata*). Two freezers of slaughtered and skinned frozen meat of rodents and birds and six glass jars of snake-infused wine.

Reason for Seizure: Illegal acquisition

Number of Offenders: 2 (one defendant was tried in this case)

Case Progress: Defendant LIANG *dong was sentenced to one year imprisonment and fined CNY 5,000.

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Zherong County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Hunting and Selling One Leopard Cat, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 5 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 31 May 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Zherong County Public Security Bureau

Judicial Authority: Zherong County People's Court

Hunting Site: On a hilltop of Guyang Village, Dongyuan Township, Zherong County, Ningde City, Fujian Province

Species: One Leopard Cat (*Prionailurus bengaliensis*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (trap) and sale

Estimated Value: CNY 4,850 (sale price)

Number of Offenders: 2 (one defendant was tried in this case)

Case Progress: Defendant GAO committed the crime of illegal hunting and was sentenced to two months' detention with a four-month suspended sentence. The defendant's illegal profits of CNY 4,850 (withdrawn) were confiscated and turned over to the state treasury. The two large traps seized in the case were confiscated and disposed by the Zherong County Public Security Bureau in accordance with law. On 29 May 2024, the defendant returned CNY 4,850 of illegal profits. On 30 May GAO voluntarily paid CNY 4,850 in compensation for ecological and environmental damage.

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Lingshui Li Autonomous County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Purchasing and Selling Giant Clam Shells and Products, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 12 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 11 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Lingshui Li Autonomous County Administrative Comprehensive Law Enforcement Bureau

Judicial Authority: Lingshui Li Autonomous County People's Court

Location: A crafts shop in Yingzhou Town, Lingshui Li Autonomous County, Hainan Province

Species: Two Giant Clam (*Tridacna gigas*) Shells, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II; 19 Other giant clam (*Tridacna* spp.) shells, 7 handicrafts, Class II of National Protected Species (Wild populations only), CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal acquisition and sale
Estimated Value: CNY 59,500 (total value of All giant clam shells); CNY 2,625 (total value of 7 giant clams handicrafts); CNY 240 (illegal profits)

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant SUN *xiao was sentenced to one year in prison, suspended for one year and six months, and fined CNY 10,000 for the crime of harming precious and endangered wild animals.

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Lingshui Li Autonomous County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Purchasing and Selling Coral and Nautilus Shells, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 12 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 11 June 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Lingshui Li Autonomous County Administrative Comprehensive Law Enforcement Bureau

Judicial Authority: Lingshui Li Autonomous County People's Court

Location: A crafts shop in Yingzhou Town, Lingshui Li Autonomous County, Hainan Province Country

Species: Three Nautilus (Nautilidae spp.) Shells, Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II; 12 Rasp Coral (*Pocillopora verrucosa*) skeletons, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; one Cauliflower Coral (*Pocillopora damicornis*) skeleton, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; three Blue Coral (*Heliopora coerulea*) skeletons, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal, acquisition and sale
Estimated Value: CNY 191,950 (total value of the coral and Nautilus); CNY 3,000 (Illegal profit)

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant SUN *mei was sentenced to two years and six months in prison, suspended for three years, and fined CNY 30,000 for the crime of harming precious and endangered wild animals.

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Xinhuang Dong Autonomous County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Hunting, Purchasing and Selling 27 Chinese Hwamei, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 25 June 2024

Hunting Date: December 2022 to May 2023

Judicial Authority: Xinhuang Dong Autonomous County People's Court

Location: Xinhuang Dong Autonomous County, Huaihua City, Hunan Province

Species: 27 Chinese Hwamei (*Garrulax canorus*) including 26 poached, and one acquired), the police seized six live individuals, Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (bird traps), acquisition and sale

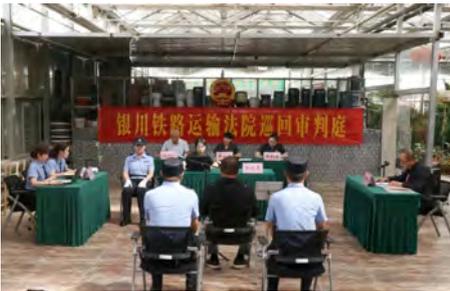
Estimated Value: CNY 30,000 (total value of 6 Chinese Hwamei); CNY 1,860 (Illegal profit)

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant WU's conduct constituted the crime of harming precious and endangered wild animals, and the court made a guilty verdict and a fine in accordance with law after comprehensively considering factors such as his expression of remorse.

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Yinchuan Railway transportation Court Heard a Case of Illegally Purchasing and Selling Total Eleven of Chinese Hwamei, Chestnut-flanked white-eye, Mongolian lark, One Person Was Sentenced



News Release Date: 25 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 25 June 2024

Judicial Authority: Yinchuan Railway transportation Court

Sale Site: Hesheng Flower and Pets Shop in Xingqing District, Yinchuan City, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region

Species: Chinese Hwamei (*Garrulax canorus*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; Chestnut-flanked white-eye (*Zosterops erythropleurus*), Class II of National Protected Species; Mongolian lark (*Melanocorypha mongolica*), Class II of National Protected Species; eleven in total

Reason for Seizure: Illegal acquisition and sale
Estimated Value: CNY 51,500

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant LI *lin was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, suspended for one year, and fined CNY 5,000.

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Changyang Tujia Autonomous County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Hunting, Purchasing and Selling Wildlife, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 26 June 2024

Arrest Date: August 2023

Hearing Date: 1 November 2023

Law Enforcement Authority: Changyang County Public Security Bureau

Judicial Authority: Changyang Tujia Autonomous County People's Court

Location: Changyang Tujia Autonomous County, Yichang City, Hubei Province

Species: Two Chinese Forest Musk Deer (*Moschus berezovskii*), Class I of National Protected Species, CITES II; one Chinese Goral (*Naemorhedus griseus*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES I; five Tufted Deer (*Elaphodus cephalophus*), Class II of National Protected Species; three Leopard Cat (*Prionailurus bengalensis*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; the wildlife with important ecological, scientific and social value, eleven Masked Palm Civet (*Paguma larvata*) (Wild populations only), five Greater Hog Badger (*Arctonyx collaris*), one Chinese Ferret-badger (*Melogale moschata*); 41.2 kg of snakes (*Serpentes* spp.) and 8.15 kg of Chinese Spiny Frog (*Quasipaa spinosa*)

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting, acquisition, and sale

Estimated Value: CNY 225,500

Number of Offenders: 18

Case Progress: Defendant SUN *hong was sentenced to five years and six months imprisonment and a fine of CNY 50,000 in accordance with law. The remaining defendants were sentenced to less than one year's imprisonment or fined only.

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Huishui County People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Hunting and Purchasing Ten Chinese Hwamei, One Person Was Sentenced



News Release Date: 26 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 24 June 2024

Judicial Authority: Huishui County People's Court
Hunting Site: Wangmo County, Qiannan Buyi and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, Guizhou Province

Species: Ten Chinese Hwamei (*Garrulax canorus*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting, acquisition, and sale

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant CHEN was sentenced to one year imprisonment, suspended for two years, and fined CNY 2,000 for the crime of harming precious and endangered wild animals.

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Gongbo'gyamda County Public Security Bureau Seized 97 Thorold's Deer Horns, One Person Was Sentenced



News Release Date: 27 June 2024

Seizure Date: 10 November 2023

Hearing Date: 25 April 2024

Sentencing Date: 28 May 2024

Law Enforcement Authority: Forest Police Brigade of Gongbo'gyamda County Public Security Bureau and Nyingchi Municipal Public Security Bureau

Judicial Authority: Gongbo'gyamda County Court

Location: Home of the suspect in Gongbo'gyamda County, Nyingchi City, Tibet Autonomous Region

Detection Method: Intelligence Sharing

Species: 97 Thorold's Deer (*Przewalskium albirostris*) Horns, Total 134.2 kg, Class I of National Protected Species

Reason for Seizure: Illegal having

Estimated Value: CNY 291,000

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: On 25 April 2024, defendant PU was publicly tried in the Gongbo'gyamda County Court for harming precious and endangered wild animals, and on 28 May 2024, PU was sentenced to one year in prison, suspended for two years, and fined CNY 1,000.

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Yunlong County People's Procuratorate Reviewed a of Illegal Hunting Case, One Person Was Sentenced

News Release Date: 28 June 2024

Hunting Date: From June 2021 And to 2023

Judicial Authority: Yunlong County People's Procuratorate

Hunting Site: Changxin Township, Yunlong County, Dali Bai Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province

Species: One Monkey (*Cercopithecidae* spp.), Class I/II of National Protected Species, CITES I/II; one Barking Deer (*Muntiacus* spp.), Class I/II of National Protected Species or the wildlife with important ecological, scientific and social value, CITES I; one Lady Amherst's Pheasant (*Chrysolophus amherstiae*), Class II of National Protected Species; Red and White Giant Flying Squirrel (*Petaurista alborufus*), the wildlife with important ecological, scientific and social value

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting (shotgun, slingshot, etc.)

Number of Offenders: 1

Case Progress: Defendant ZHAO was sentenced to one year imprisonment, suspended for one year and six months.

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Putian Hanjiang District People's Court Heard a Case of Illegally Hunting, Purchasing and Selling Four Silver Pheasant and Other Wildlife, One Person Was Charged



News Release Date: 28 June 2024

Sentencing Date: 28 June 2024

Judicial Authority: Hanjiang District People's Court of Putian City

Location: In the refrigerator at the defendant's home, Hanjiang District, Putian City, Fujian Province

Hunting Site: Near mountains of Dayang Township, Hanjiang District, Putian City

Species: Four Silver Pheasant (*Lophura nycthemera*), Class II of National Protected Species; Rhesus Macaque (*Macaca mulatta*), Class II of National Protected Species, CITES II; the wildlife with important ecological, scientific, and social value, three Northern Red Muntjac (*Muntiacus vaginalis*); two Greater Hog Badger (*Arctonyx collaris*); one Porcupine (*Hystrix* spp.)

Reason for Seizure: Illegal hunting, acquisition, and sale

Estimated Value: CNY 75,600

Number of Offenders: 2 (Surname GONG and HUANG)

Case Progress: The court adjourned the case to a later date.

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