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Domestic

Yunnan Strikes Wildlife Products Trade



Hekou, Yunnan, Apr.2nd, 2018 - Recently, Forest Police in Honghe and Hekou have taken joint multi-departmental actions to investigate more than 200 key sites and regions. Seized a total of 3.52 kg of suspected pangolin pieces, 18 suspected ivory products, 7 suspected tiger teeth, 6 animal paste products, 1 suspected rhino horn bracelets, and 1 suspected rhinoceros horn, more than 100 pieces of fake ivory necklaces, bracelets, and wild-animal wine; frozen wild animal meat of bamboo rats and of other protected wild animals 14.43kg; and a suspected second-class protected giant salamander. Currently, seizures have been sent departmental processing. [Read More](#)

Guangzhou Seized Ivory Products Hidden In Chocolate



Guangzhou, Guangdong, Apr. 5th, 2018 - On March 28th, Guangzhou Customs seized for the first time at the airport a case in which ivory products were concealed under the guise of chocolate. A male



passenger carried about 1400 grams of ivory products by placing them in melted chocolate liquid and then cooling for packaging. On the same afternoon, Baiyun Airport Customs seized 4660 grams of camouflage seahorses covered with food in the luggage of a passenger. On March 29th, four antelope horns which with a length of about 25 centimeters and weighing about 340 grams each seized at the same point. Panyu customs also recently seized incoming passengers loaded in milk powder cans of 23 sperm whale teeth, a net weight of 3530 grams. At present, the above cases are being further investigated. [Read More](#)

inspected the ivory smuggling case . Three suspects took the flight from Ethiopia to Chengdu, at the scene of further personal inspection, there are a total of 18 ivory products, a net weight of about 1725 grams seized from their coats, hoods and waists. One of the men told that these were bought for gifts to relatives when he was working in Congo. [Read More](#)

Shenzhen Customs Detects 5.32 kg of Smuggled Rhino Horn



Chengdu Airport Customs seized the biggest Ivory smuggling case this year



Shenzhen, Guangdong, Apr. 9th, 2018 - Around 2 am on April 2, customs officers found two chocolate boxes in the luggage which containing suspected horn blocks with obvious animal blood smell, and some horns with red blood residue which identified rhino horn, totaling 5.32 kg. At present, the case has been transferred to anti-smuggling department for further investigation, involved in criminal detention. [Read More](#)

Chengdu, Sichuan, Apr. 9th, 2018 - In the afternoon of March 26 , Chengdu Shuangliu Airport Customs



Guangzhou Customs Seized More Than 24 kg of Smuggled Ivory Products in the First Quarter



Guangzhou, Guangdong, Apr. 11st, 2018 - From January to March, Guangzhou Customs seized 62 cases of ivory smuggling at the airport's tourist inspection channels, involving 24.16 kg of ivory and its products, a rise of 1.38 times more than a year earlier. A man chose to enter Guangzhou Baiyun Airport through an undeclared passageway. A small bar of milky white bead exposed by his collar caused a note from customs, and his luggage was later found to contain large quantities of ivory products. After inspection, a total of 96 ivory products were seized, bracelets, necklaces, hairpins and accessories of various shapes. From the beginning of this year, Guangzhou Customs are improving airport inspection risk analyze system, to promote the accuracy of inspection. [Read More](#)

Guangxi Pingxiang Seized a Number of Illegal Ivory Rhino Horn Products



Pingxiang, Guangxi, Apr. 12nd, 2018 - While on patrol on 23 March, officers and soldiers inspected a motorcycle strapped with a woven bag and speed up to escape. There are 61 pairs of ivory necklaces, 20 pairs of ivory chopsticks, 4 pieces of ivory leather, 4 teeth of tiger, 3 bracelets of rhinoceros horn, 4 teacups of rhinoceros horn in the motorcycle. They found four suspicious foam boxes which contains 2040 dried gecko from a minibus in the afternoon of March 25th, 2018, and the driver was unable to provide any legal formalities for the goods. At present, these two cases have been transferred to Chongzuo Forest Police for further investigation. [Read More](#)

Police in Wuan have seized 15 ivory products





Wuan, Hebei, Apr. 13rd, 2018 - March 26, Wuan Forest Police received a clue, then disguised as customers raided two stores, and seized 30 suspected ivory products. Among the 30 suspected ivory products, 15 were ivory products. On April 9, the Bureau made criminal suspects on suspicion of illegally purchasing, transporting and selling precious, endangered wild animals, precious and endangered wildlife products, Wang and Li, two shop owners, were sentenced to criminal detention according to law. At present, the cases are under further investigation and trial. [Read More](#)

12 pieces of ivory products seized by illegal ivory trafficking in Kunming



Kunming, Yunnan, Apr. 17th, 2018 - From February 27 to March 31, Kunming Forest Police organized a special campaign to crack down on illegal trade in ivory and other precious and endangered wildlife products in the city, focusing on cleaning up and rectifying the city's ivory and its products market. Efforts have been made to crack down on and curb illegal trade in precious and

endangered wildlife products such as ivory. At present, it has achieved initial results. It has cleaned up and banned 60 small stalls, small stores and small counters, and seized 12 ivory products. [Read More](#)

Fujian Putian Open trial on illegal Trade in Wild Animals



Putian, Fujian, Apr. 17th, 2018 - From June to August 2017, Huang purchased and sold protected animal products such as helmets, bear teeth and leopard claws through WeChat, making a profit of 30,000 yuan. On September 29 of the same year, Huang was arrested and brought to justice at his home. A total of 138-pieces of Helmeted Hornbill head products, 46 bags of beaded products, and 3 bags of processed products, 26 bear teeth, 45 leopard tooth products and 14 leopard claw products, have been seized, with a total value of more than 210000 yuan. At 9: 00 a.m. on April 16, The Court of Hanjiang held a public hearing of the case, and through Sina judicial cloud broadcast platform for public broadcast. [Read More](#)

International

Mozambique detects the largest case of ivory smuggling in history

Mozambique, Africa, Apr. 13rd, 2018 - Mozambican customs officers seized more than 1.5 tons of smuggled ivory from Maputo province to Cambodia in containers containing used plastics during routine inspections at Maputo port on the 12th. The figure means that about 90 elephants have been killed. This is Mozambique's biggest case of ivory smuggling to date. [Read More](#)

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