



REPORT TO: CITY MANAGER

TO BE REFERRED BY THE OFFICIAL TO MAYCO VIA THE RELEVANT *SAFETY AND SECURITY* SECTION 79 COMMITTEE [AFTER CONSIDERATION BY CITY MANAGER]

1. ITEM NUMBER

2. SUBJECT

FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL/OUTSIDE THE BORDERS OF THE RSA TRIP UNDERTAKEN FROM 17 OCTOBER TO 28 OCTOBER 2022 TO ATTEND THE WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATORS PROGRAM INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY IN BOTSWANA

ONDERWERP

TERUGVOERING OOR DIE INTERNASIONALE REIS (BUITE DIE GRENSE VAN DIE RSA) VAN 17 OKTOBER TOT 28 OKTOBER 2022 VIR DIE BYWONING VAN DIE PROGRAM OOR NATUURLEWESLUIKHANDEL BY DIE INTERNASIONALE WETSTOEPASSINGSAKADEMIE IN BOTSWANA

ISIHLOKO

**INGXELO ENGOHAMBO OLUYA PHESHEYNNGAPHANDLE
KWEEBHODA ZOMZANTSI AFRIKA OLUTHATYATHWE UKUSUSELA
NGOWE 17 KWEYEDWARHA UKUYA KOWAMA 28 KWEYEDWARHA
2022 LOKUZIMASA INKQUBO YOPHANDO NGOKUTHENGISWA
NGOKUNGEKHO MTHETHWENI KWEZILWANYANA KWIZIKO
LEHLABATHI LONYANZELISO LOMTHETHO EBOTSWANA.**

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3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	Wildlife Trafficking Investigators Program, October 17-28, 2022
OTHER	<i>Implement and training received and share the knowledge to home units</i>
DATE	17- 28 October 2022
VENUE	International Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA)
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	R92 329.32
CITY	Gaborone
COUNTRY	Botswana

ATTENDEE DETAILS	
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
James Stroud	Regional Inspector LE (TEU)
Thembalani Nobongoza	Superintendent Metro Police Training
Ndonwabisile Ntongana	Superintendent Metro Police Training
Amanda Hansen	Senior Investigator (SSIU)
Ncedikhaya Zengezi	Senior Investigator (SSIU)
Stanton Shaw	Principal Inspector Marine Unit LE

PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY
ILEA is a top class institution with outstanding Facilities and they involved 4 trainers from America, one trainer from South Africa, and one trainer from Malawi with vast knowledge on the subject matter and many years of experience in the field of Law Enforcement involving Wildlife Trafficking and money laundering.

4. OBJECTIVE

- To be able to combat Wildlife trafficking, the focus is based on taking down syndicates and kingpins.

- To solve a crime by **collecting, preserving and processing** information in a legal and systematic manner.
- To assist in prosecution of persons charged with crimes involving Wildlife trafficking.
- To equip and empower all those who are involved in fighting wildlife trafficking for the preservation of our Wildlife protected species.

5. OUTCOMES

- We have learned the importance of networking with our neighboring countries, as well as sharing intelligence with them as we became aware that a high number of our wildlife-protected species are shipped overseas to countries across our borders, with Cape Town being one of the main borders.
- Possible crimes implicated can also be money laundering. This can be fought with prevention of organized crime Act 121/1998 and Financial Intelligence Act 38/2001.
- We have learnt to identify ways in which fauna and flora are hidden in packages, which are falsely labeled to hide the illegal transportation.
- When encountering a poached animal, a uniformed member must approach the scene in the same manner as a first responder, which will be incorporated in the "First Responder to a Crime Scene" training intended to be provided at the Metro Police Training Academy, thus providing a return on investment.
- We have obtained the course material due to attendance and as ETD practitioners, we will be in a position to replicate the course and train our marine unit, alternatively any other unit requesting this type of training. Additionally, the course material can be summarized into a workshop for units dealing with anti-poaching enforcement.
- We have learned that wildlife trafficking is a global challenge that needs global partnership and participation.
- We have shared experiences and gained knowledge from other countries pertaining to wildlife trafficking investigation.

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

Joint Operations should be conducted and liaising of Intelligence gathered with stakeholders such as Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE); Nature Conservation City of Cape Town; SAPS Borderline; South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA); Coastal Management City of Cape Town; Table Mountain National Parks; Cape Nature.

7. IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Constitutional and Policy Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.2 Environmental Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.3 Financial Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.4 Legal Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.5 Staff Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.6 Risk Implications No ☒ Yes ☐
- 7.7 POPIA Compliance

- ☒ It is confirmed that this report has been checked and considered for POPIA Compliance.

NOTE: POPIA Section MUST be completed otherwise the report will be returned to the author for revision.

Contact your Directorate POPIA Stewards should you require assistance.

The City has a contract in place with XL Embassy Travel for the safe-keeping of Traveller's personal information as required by the POPI Act.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the feedback report on the trip Wildlife Trafficking Investigators Program undertaken by James Stroud, Thembelani Nobongoza, Ndonwabisile Ntongana, Amanda Hansen, Ncedikhaya Zengezi and Stanton Shaw on 17th to the 28th of October 2022 **be considered and noted.**

Daar word aanbeveel dat:

Die terugvoeringsverslag oor James Stroud, Thembelani Nobongoza, Ndonwabisile Ntongana, Amanda Hansen, Ncedikhaya Zengezi en Stanton Shaw se internasionale reis (buite die grense van die RSA) van 17 Oktober tot 28 Oktober 2022 vir die bywoning van die program vir natuurlwesluikhandel-onderzoekers oorweeg word en dat daarvan kennis geneem word.

Kunduluhwe ukuba:

Makuqwalaselwe ingxelo engohambo oluya phesheya/ngaphandle kweebhoda zoMzantsi Afrika oluthatyathwe ukususela ngowe 17 kweyeDwarha ukuya kowama28 kweyeDwarha 2022 zizinyaswe yi James Stroud, Thembalani Nobongoza, Ndonwabisile Ntongana, Amanda Hansen, Ncedikhaya Zengezi en Stanton Shaw lokuzimasa inkqubo yoPhando ngokuThengiswa kwezilwanyana ngokungekho mthethweni kwiZiko leHlabathi loNyanzefiso loMthetho eBotswana.

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9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

This requires a joint effort through Joint Operations with multiple stakeholders. Doing surveillance and intelligence gathering from our side. Having a holistic approach as to who is involved and implicated, and then liaising and handing over of information (Intelligence) and cases to other departments in order to be able to identify and apprehend suspects linked to syndicates. Continuous surveillance and gathering of intelligence/investigation is required in order to profile suspects.

USA Act: The Lacey Act ("Act") is a comprehensive federal law that protects against wildlife crimes, such as international and domestic wildlife trafficking. The Departments of the Interior, Commerce, and Agriculture administer the Act through their respective agencies, i.e. the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.


Steps to the Lacey Act: (Wildlife from our country and our country laws violated or US law violated) (Sale and transport of wildlife to the USA) leads to Lacey Act violation.

10. ANNEXURES

Annexure A: Attendance registers for week 1 (17-21 October 2022) and week 2 (24-28 October 2022)

Annexure B: Photographs of the training and completion of course.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, CONTACT:

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NAME

DATE


Bradley Lackay
23/03/2023

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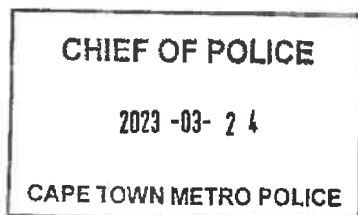
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CHIEF OF LAW/ENFORCEMENT

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4/4/2023

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COMMENT:

DR. DENVER VAN SCHALKWYK

SIGNATURE:

DATE

☐ **REPORT COMPLIANT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL'S DELEGATIONS, POLICIES, BY-LAWS AND ALL LEGISLATION RELATING TO THE MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION.**

☐ **NON-COMPLIANT**

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

COMMENT:

NAME

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DATE

Certified as legally compliant based on the content of the report.

CITY MANAGER

☒ **NOTED**

☒ **REFER TO THE MAYORAL COMMITTEE VIA THE RELEVANT SECTION 79 COMMITTEE**

DATE

COMMENT:

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVEMENTIONED CITY MANAGER'S SIGNATURE IS ONLY TO BE OBTAINED FOR OFFICIALS TRAVELLING AND NOT FOR COUNCILLORS.

THE CITY MANAGER WILL RECOMMEND THAT THE REPORT IS REFERRED TO MAYCO VIA THE RELEVANT SECTION 79 PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE BY THE OFFICIAL. IN SUCH INSTANCES, THE CITY MANAGER'S SIGNED REPORT SHOULD BE ATTACHED AS AN ANNEXURE TO THE REPORT TO THE SECTION 79 PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE AND MAYCO.