### April 2024 EAGLE Uganda Activity Report

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1. **INTRODUCTION**

The report herein covers the period from 01st – 30th April 2024. With focus on the projects core goal of deterring wildlife crime, major activities in the line of investigations have been at 70% with 2 candidates still on test.

The project emphasizes on proactivity and creativity therefore all team members flexibility and aggressiveness is expected in all departments.

1. **INVESTIGATIONS**

No applications for investigations were received however different follow-up calls on previous potential recommenders was made to re-engage them for potential recommendations of candidates for investigations.

However the recommendations below to boost recruitment in Uganda are still proposed,

-Recruitment through the network branches with a motive of sending to Uganda, - Adopt job rotation/swapping program (investigators from the branch networks are sent to Uganda for the same role for a specified period of time, however scope should take into consideration investigators from several branches.

Several factors need to be taken into consideration for the 2 proposals to be effected for visible results to be realized.

Investigations have been on-going at 70% field engagements with 2 candidate on test with relevant information, photos of contraband shared and of different animal species that will lead to an operation in the long run.

One of the investigators test period was terminated for not meeting the projects expectations.

One candidate successfully made it through his volunteer contract to a consultancy contract.

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| **INVESTIGATION INDICATORS** | | |
| **# of investigations** | **# of investigations that lead to operations** |  |
| **19** | **0** |  |

1. **OPERATIONS**

No operations yet but with potential investigations that will lead to an operation in the long run.

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

1. **LEGAL**

* The legal advisor analysed the different missions of the respective investigators (i18 and i89) and she came up with a conclusion that there is so much information related to the missions that is of paramount importance which the investigators keep for themselves.
* The legal Advisor prepared a write up titled “Invest in a woman and Count on Her” the world women’s day theme and another write up titled “Women’s Rights Day” as a theme considered by EAGLE network. The latter was presented to the Uganda team for discussion with the purpose to make the team appreciate the progress in advocating for women’s rights realization in Uganda. The discussion revealed that there is a lot desired because despite the increase in numbers in the parameters that explain women emancipation, practically women are not freed from the traditional/cultural and society definition of a true African Society.
* The legal Advisor attended a one day tax training session organized by URA. The purpose of the training was to build capacity the tax payers. The key areas tackled included;

-Introduction and computation of employment income tax, business income tax and rental income.

-How to file returns of the respective income taxes

-How to seek for waivers of some taxes like Withholding Tax.

* The legal Advisor attended a graduation ceremony at Law Development Centre where she was awarded a post graduate Diploma in legal training..

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

1. **MEDIA**

Department has not been operational.

**6.MANAGEMENT**

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

* March ICS investigations and legal, and Field Investigation reports were compiled and submitted to CCU.
* The projects mandatory financial monthly reports were submitted to the respective offices.
* The assistant Coordinator followed up on a meeting that was scheduled with the ED UWA which unfortunately was rescheduled to another future date for reasons that are unknown. Its one to foster collaborations with UWA.
* A general meeting with emphasis on general update on investigator missions, communication and follow-up on targets was well addressed with a templated adopted to help on the analysis of field investigations.
* Follow-up on potential informants was done though information shared was not relevant, as a way to boost investigations the project is trying to work with informants to be able to achieve its goals.
* The project hosted Auditors from RONA & Partners who have conducted an extensive audit from the time of inception of the project (2018) to December 2023, this will help the project standardise the reports to government compliance.
* The 2024 women’s day theme was “Invest in Women”, as a network our focus was on women’s rights, a discussion and presentation in this regard was recorded with the legal advisor taking the leading role.
* A General report on the Wilfred’s mission in Uganda was shared with recommendations that will be implemented with approval from CCU.

1. **EXTERNAL RELATIONS**

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

1. **Civic Activism**

The assistant coordinator followed up on a land case that was raised by an elderly lady (82 years) and good folloup has been made with photos and all relevant documents collected to aid the process.

The matter still ongoing and a court case to filed and to be followedup in the month of May.