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Re: Discovery of 11 rhino carcasses in ENP

With our ongoing operation in Etosha National Park, we unfortunately discovered ten (11) rhino carcasses as from the beginning June 2022 to date. All the ten are black rhinos. Investigations indicate that the carcasses range between 3 weeks and older. This is regrettable and a strong indication that the fight against poaching is not over.

The Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism together with the Namibian Police Force, the Namibia Defence Force and other partners will intensify wildlife protection and law enforcement interventions, including intensifying on our patrols, security and intelligence gathering in the Etosha National Park, which is the country's flagship park.

No arrests have been made yet on the recent carcasses discovery, and investigations continue. Members of the public who may have information related to this or any poaching or wildlife crime incident are urged to contact either the police or officials of the Ministry.

To date, a total of 22 Rhino has been poached in 2022 in the country.

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