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Huíla: SIC detained seven poachers for slaughtering elephants in Bicular National Park for ivory trafficking

The Criminal Investigation Service (SIC) detained seven poachers in the Bicular National Park, in Huíla, who were hunting, mainly for elephants, to later sell the ivory. Among the detainees is a park inspector.



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According to SIC spokesman in Huíla, Sebastião Víka, in statements to the National Radio of Angola, the suspects were detained in Bicular National Park, "in flagrante delicto", in possession of firearms, meanwhile apprehended by the police authorities.

According to the official, detainees had the preference of slaughtering elephants to sell ivory.

One of the detainees, speaking to RNA, said he killed an elephant and sold the ivory to a Namibian citizen for 5,000 rand (just over 200,000 kwanzas).