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Luanda: SIC detains poachers who settled in the Quissama National Park and lived off the sale of the animals they slaughtered

The Criminal Investigation Service detained a poacher who had settled in the Quissama National Park and killed animals such as elephants and gazelles, which he then sold at the informal market of Mutamba, in Luanda.



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According to SIC spokesman Fernando Carvalho, "the 38-year-old man confessed to the authorities that he had been carrying out this illicit activity for two years and had made it his livelihood".

"And, to better hunt the animals, the person involved settled in the Quissama park, taking with him goods such as camping tents, hunting materials and food products, Fernando Carvalho told Novo Jornal.

For two years, the man hunted animals such as elephants, wild boars, deer and gazelles, which he later sold at the informal Mutamba market, in the urban district of Vila Flor, municipality of Viana, said Fernando Carvalho.

As for the slaughtered elephants, the hunter did not use their meat for consumption, he only used the ivory to sell it, especially to citizens of foreign nationality, added SIC.

The operation carried out in the Quissama National Park resulted in the arrest of the individual, as well as the seizure of two ivory teeth, a knife and several threads that the hunter used to capture the animals.

The poacher is detained, indicted for the crime of environmental aggression.