



## Only three months in jail for giraffe hunting

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Francoise Steynberg - Two Namibian men, Jimmy Habate Gawaseb and Friedriek Stuurman, were convicted in the Kamanjab Magistrate's Court on June 2 for illegally hunting a giraffe in August 2018.

They were sentenced to only three months in prison or a fine of N \$ 2,000 each.

It is one of the few wild crime cases that has been successfully settled in Namibian courts.

According to the weekly wildlife crime report from June 15 to 21 of Namibian police and the Ministry of the Environment, Forestry and Tourism, a total of eight game suspects have been arrested and two new cases brought.

Three of the suspects were arrested last week for conspiring to steal a rhino. This is related to various old rhino poaching cases at Okahao.

The three are Messrs. Gerhard Iyambo, Johannes Ndinombili Nuuyoma and Henok Ekandjo Katuyavula Shaningwa. The latter was also charged with the Law of the Prevention of Organized Crime.

Four Namibian men were arrested last Thursday in Karasburg with apparently one deer and three kudu carcasses in their possession.

Messrs. Johannes Boois, Andries Van Wyk, David van Wyk and Diego Jooste were charged with illegal hunting.

Mr. Roster Mazila Mukendwa was arrested again at Katima Mulilo with a diving carcass in his possession.

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