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32 goats slaughtered within two days

Police are looking for cattle thieves near Omaruru - Suspected poachers caught



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Swakopmund / Omaruru (er) - Again cattle thieves and poachers are up to mischief in the area around Omaruru. The police have since arrested some suspected perpetrators, but the public is called upon to report any evidence.

As Erongo police spokesman Erastus likuyu has now announced, several cattle thieves have caused a large financial loss, especially on the Weissenfeld farm. A goatherd wanted to bring the goats to the kraal last Thursday - but he couldn't find the animals. A total of 32 goats were stolen. "An extensive search was initiated on Friday, but it was canceled due to heavy rainfall," said likuyu. On Saturday, farm workers found a slaughtering site in the Veld on the farm. "All 32 goats were slaughtered and the meat was removed in a vehicle. Vehicle tracks were clearly visible at the crime scene. Only the heads and innards were left behind," likuyu said. So far, no one has been arrested in this connection.

According to likuyu, the police arrested a suspected cattle thief in another case. A 59-year-old man is said to have stolen a goat from a pasture near Omaruru last Sunday. "He slaughtered the animal and took the meat home," likuyu explained. However, the man could be caught a little later.

In addition, the police in the Erongo region have now caught three suspected poachers. likuyu said the men illegally entered the Otjipetekera, Okangue and Ehuiro farms between March 18 and 19. On the Ehuiro farm, they shot and slaughtered an oryx with the help of hunting dogs. "The suspects have been traced, which led to their arrest," said likuyu. The three men were found in possession of the meat in their homes in the village of Ondama in the Omatjete area. Nangoi Mbiundjamuje (39), Ludwig Kambombo (33) and Eliaser Tjiombe (21) have to answer for illegal hunting, trespassing and the possession of game meat without permission. The investigation continues.

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