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Gobabis' fourth 'rhino poacher' caught

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Francoise Steynberg - The fourth suspected rhino poacher in the Gobabis case, Mr. Hamukoto Kanana Erastus, was also arrested last week.

This follows after the carcass of a far-pregnant white rhino cow was found on Friday 2 April at a lodge in the Gobabis district. With the help of farmers, trackers and the K9 anti-poaching unit, three suspects, Messrs. Zondundi Tjipuiiko, Frederik Hamukoto and Tjimbaka Mbatiminua were arrested on Sunday 4 April at a roadblock outside Gobabis. In their possession was apparently a hunting rifle and 22 cartridges.

Erastus was arrested on Tuesday, April 6th.

According to the game crime report from 4 to 11 April, two more Namibian men were arrested last Thursday in Windhoek with two rhino horns. The vehicle in which Messrs. Salomon Erastus Nghidinwa and Lukas Nepwayu allegedly traveled with the horns. At Outapi is a Namibian, mr. Veikko Angula, and an Angolan citizen, mr. Murangi Kambwale, on Sunday apparently caught with an ietermagôvel in their possession.

Ludwig Kamdombo, Eliazer Tjombe and Nangoi Mbwinjamuye were found guilty in the Omaruru Magistrate's Court on March 23 of the illegal hunting of a gemsbok. Their sentence is a fine of N \$ 4 000 of which N \$ 2 000 has been suspended, or one year imprisonment of which six months has been suspended for five years.

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