

《刚果欠下中国大笔军备采购款 津巴布韦用大象、狮子和鬣狗等来抵》

导读:据英国《泰晤士报》爆料，为还欠清刚果共和国欠下中国的大笔军备采购款，津巴布韦将大象、狮子等野生动物运至中国广州长隆野生动物园作为抵债。



Grace Mugabe, the First Lady of Zimbabwe has sent safari animals to a Chinese wildlife park to pay for military uniforms.

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The 51-year-old wife of Zimbabwe President Robert Mugabe reportedly sent 35 elephant calves, eight lions, a dozen hyenas and a giraffe to settle a debt for boots and uniforms bought for the Congolese military, The Times reported.

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An elephant is estimated to fetch between \$40,000 and \$60,000.

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Mugabe had close ties with Congo's President Kabila. However, many fear that the elephants would be used to

start an ivory-farming operation. They were flown out of the country in a Boeing 747 belonging that landed at Chimelong safari park in Guangzhou.

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Zimbabwean wildlife officials said the move would ease pressure on "overburdened" parks. In 2015, the government said Zimbabwe is home to 80,000 elephants but can cope with only 42,000.

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However, a local wildlife expert said that forcing young elephants to separate from their herds was "a mad act of cruelty".

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Opposition groups criticised the "translocation of our elephants to strange environments". Interestingly, Mugabe's 91st birthday party saw the leader, and his party guests eat a young elephant.

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