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EDITOR'S NOTE ON MOVEMENT OF SQUARE-LIPPED (WHITE) RHINOCEROSSES

Ceratotherium simum simum

Much has been said, written and filmed by many about the Natal Parks Board's project so widely known as "Operation Rhino".

This work was designed to reduce the rhino population in Zululand's Umfolozi Game Reserve, where the animals had become over numerous as a result of good conservation, and to ensure the safe future of the species by distributing the surplus individuals as widely as possible.

Many accounts of the operation have supplied figures of the animals translocated, some of them widely erroneous, but hitherto there has been no detailed list of the various destinations.

For purposes of record, therefore, as well as to comply with several requests for the figures to be published, the details which follow are the near-precise ones for the 482 rhinos exported and removed from their former habitat in the Umfolozi Game Reserve, from 1st January, 1961, to 31st May, 1968.

Where a query is inserted in the table it means that the destination is so far not known at all, or that the stated one is only believed to be correct. In each case the reason for doubt is that the animals concerned were removed by an agent, who later did not send the hoped-for information.

Destination		Males	Females	Total	Grand Total
OVERSEAS:					
1. Burma:	Rangoon	2	2	4	4
2. Canada:					
(a)	Calgary, Alberta	1	1	2	
(b)	Edmonton, Alberta	1	1	2	
(c)	Toronto, Ontario	1	1	2	6
3. Denmark:	Copenhagen	1	1	2	2
4. East Germany:					
(a)	Berlin	1	1	2	
(b)	Dresden	1	1	2	4

5. Japan: Tokyo	1	1	2	2
6. Netherlands: Rotterdam	1	1	2	2
7. Sweden: Kolmarden ?	1	1	2	2
8. Switzerland:				
(a) Rapperswil ?	1	1	2	
(b) Zurich	1	1	2	4
9. United Kingdom:				
(a) Chester	1	1	2	
(b) Regent's Park, London	1	1	2	
(c) Whipsnade, Beds.	1	1	2	6
10. United States of America:				
(a) Bronx, New York	1	1	2	
(b) Catskill, New York	1	1	2	
(c) Chicago, Illinois	1	1	2	
(d) Detroit, Michigan	1	1	2	
(e) Fort Worth, Texas	1	1	2	
(f) Los Angeles, California	1	1	2	
(g) Louisville, Kentucky	1	1	2	
(h) Memphis, Tennessee	2	2	4	
(i) Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1	2	3	
(j) New Orleans, Louisiana	1	1	2	
(k) Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1	1	2	
(l) Omaha, Nebraska	1	1	2	
(m) Phoenix, Arizona	1	1	2	
(n) San Diego, California	1	1	2	
(o) San Francisco, California	1	1	2	
(p) Tampa, Florida	1	1	2	
(q) ? ?	1	1	2	37
11. West Germany:				
(a) Bremen ?	1	1	2	
(b) Hannover	1	---	1	
(c) Leipzig ?	1	1	2	
(d) Gelsenkirchen ?	1	1	2	7
12. One additional pair went overseas, handled by agents, and it is not yet known whether they went to Europe or America:	1	1	2	2
TOTAL OVERSEAS --				78

AFRICA:

13. Botswana: Chobe Game Reserve	2	2	4	4
14. Kenya: Meru Game Reserve	3	3	6	6
15. Moçambique:				
(a) Lourenço Marques Zoo	1	1	2	
(b) Maphuta Game Reserve	19	17	36	38
16. Rhodesia:				
(a) Kyle Dam Game Reserve	13	14	27	
(b) Matopos National Park	6	7	13	
(c) Mcllwaine National Park	1	2	3	
(d) Victoria Falls National Park	2	2	4	
(e) Wankie Game Reserve	15	20	35	82
17. South Africa:				
(a) Cape Province:				
(i) Grahamstown Nature Reserve	1	2	3	
(ii) Tygerberg Zoo Park	1	1	2	5
(b) Natal:				
(i) Hluhluwe Game Reserve ...	4	2	6	
(ii) Mkuzi Game Reserve	5	4	9	
(iii) Natal Lion Park	1	1	2	
(iv) Ndumu Game Reserve	8	10 & 6 calves	24	
(v) Nyala Game Ranch	1	1	2	
(vi) Queen Elizabeth Park	3	2	5	
(vii) Ubizane Game Ranch	5	6	11	
(viii) V. Crookes Game Reserve ...	3	3	6	65
(c) Orange Free State:				
Willem Pretorius Game Reserve ...	4	4	8	8
(d) Transvaal:				
(i) Hemlock (Mr. Webb)	1	1	2	
(ii) Iscor Nature Reserve	3	3	6	
(iii) Johannesburg Zoo	2	2	4	
(iv) Kruger National Park	51	45	96	
(v) Krugersdorp Nature Reserve	2	2	4	
(vi) Loskop Nature Reserve	4	6	10	
(vii) Mala Mala Nature Reserve ...	25	18	43	
(viii) Nelspruit (Mr. O. Doyer) ...	1	1	2	
(ix) Pretoria Zoo	2	3	5	
(x) Rondalia Game Reserve	2	2	4	
(xi) Springs Municipality	1	1	2	
(xii) Timbavati Nature Reserve ...	2	2	4	
(xiii) Vanderbijl Park Nature Res.	3	3	6	188
18. Swaziland: Mlilwane Game Sanctuary ...	1	3	4	4
19. Zambia: Livingstone Game Park	2	2	4	4

TOTAL AFRICA -- 404

OVERALL TOTAL -- 482