

WINGS FOR CONSERVATION

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Background

Wings for Conservation is a non-profit foundation based in the Netherlands, providing aerial support to help protect and restore wildlife in Africa.

We are currently operating in the Republic of Chad. Since April 2018, our aircraft has flown over 600 hours of conservation missions, covering a distance of more than 90,000 km.

We carry out surveillance flights to detect poachers, illegal camps, illegal cattle grazing, and other illicit activities in order to direct the ground deployment of ranger teams.

We gather data on the ecosystem and wildlife populations to help support the management plans for wildlife areas. We provide logistic support to resupply ranger teams and we also perform medical evacuations during emergency situations.

Summary

In 2020, our aircraft was mostly deployed in the southwest of Chad carrying out surveillance missions. This was our third year of field operations, and there were no reported cases of elephant poaching during this period.

The aircraft flew a total of 198 hours, covering a distance of more than 28,000 kilometers.

In August, following a successful three year partnership with the Chadian government, we renewed our agreement to continue to provide aerial support to help protect and restore the wildlife in Chad.

We also set a new long-term target, which is: By 2030, to reach 2,000 flight hours, covering more than 300,000 kilometers, and have supported over 15 protected areas in 3 countries, across 2 regions of Africa.







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