

Wildlife At Risk

Statement of receipts and payments
for the year ended 30 June 2013

PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

Background

Wildlife At Risk (WAR) is dedicated to protecting the biodiversity of Vietnam by combating the illegal wildlife trade, raising environmental awareness and promoting the conservation of endangered species and their habitats.

WAR is a non-profit organization, registered in Delaware on 5th October 2003. It is based in Ho Chi Minh City ("HCMC") and active throughout the southern provinces of Vietnam.

Vietnam's wildlife faces a desperate fight for survival in the 21st century. Without urgent intervention, many of the country's endangered species will soon be wiped out. They are being driven to extinction by habitat loss, hunting, pollution and, above all, the flourishing illegal wildlife trade. WAR aims to reduce the pressure on Vietnam's threatened biodiversity by helping to build local capacity to implement legislation, raise environmental awareness and develop alternatives to the unsustainable exploitation of natural resources.

Responding to specific priorities identified by local government, and working with appropriate specialists and project partners, WAR focuses on three interlocking themes:

- Enforcement – Action to reduce the exploitation of endangered species and to support the confiscation, rehabilitation and possible release of illegal traded wildlife;
- Raising awareness – Influencing behaviour, changing attitudes to wildlife and promoting sustainable use of natural resources; and
- Protection in the wild – In site conservation to safeguard specific endangered species and their habitats.

WAR ANNUAL REVIEW 2012-2013

Overview

Wildlife At Risk (WAR) focussed its efforts for the year 2012-2013 on the important area of long-term conservation of wildlife in Vietnam. This has been achieved primarily through providing training to partner staffs trained in animal care at wildlife rescue stations (WRS) and enhancing wildlife education with the general populousness.

Recognising the need for wildlife rescue is one of important roles WAR manages within protected areas. Decree 177 of the Government of Vietnam and Circular No.78 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development were issued to build up wildlife rehabilitation at several national parks. In Southern Vietnam, WAR is one of the most experienced NGOs in the field of wildlife rescue. Therefore, there is great demand from local partners for assistance with their wildlife rescue activities. WAR has both the capacity and experience and as such has provided necessary training for the staff of many national parks in Southern Vietnam, e.g. U Minh Thuong National Park, LoGo-XaMat National park.

Responding to public interest for the protection of wildlife, WAR has focussed on raising public awareness with several wildlife education projects. Apart from the ongoing project of providing SOS exhibition tents at schools in Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC), WAR has also launched a new project of information on protection of Dugong and other marine life at Phu Quoc – Tho Chu islands sea. It is hoped that by accelerating these initiatives students, and other activists of wildlife protection, will be able to contribute directly to the activities at several WRS.

The following figures reflect the impact of WAR's activities on natural conservation in Vietnam and also the challenges faced by the organisation during the period July 2012 to June 2013:

- **Approximately 500 individual wildlife** have been sent to WRS at Cu Chi district in HCMC (CCWRS), Cat Tien Bear Sanctuary and Wild Cat Rescue Station (CTWRS) in Dong Nai province and Hon Me Wildlife Rescue Station (HMWRS) in Kien Giang province. However there are still more animals that need resources for their care including bears, king cobras, gibbons.
- **More than 600 heads of fresh water fish and 60 frogs** (*Theloderma stellatum*) have been released back into Saigon river and on Phu Quoc island, respectively.
- **More than 400 individual wildlife** have been released back to the wild from various WAR rescue stations.

WAR is now calling for support and co-operation from various communities:

- As a start **60 wildlife lovers** and students from HCMC have visited HMWRS to maintain the wildlife rescue facilities; planting more than 100 forestry trees (*Dipterocarpus* spp.).
- Approximately **1,700 visitors and 500 students** have visited CCWRS.
- **14,000 students** from 12 secondary schools in HCMC have benefited from our SOS exhibition tent project, in which wildlife education is the central topic.
- **4 trips** have been conducted from Tho Chu island to Logo XaMat national park, through Nui Chua National park to Ba To mountainous area for biodiversity surveys.

- One article published recording the discovery of a new species of **Onychophoran** in an international magazine Journal of Morphology.
- WAR has started a new area of focus in conservation with several intensive surveys of wildlife recording the biodiversity of Vietnam.

All results and information on WAR activities have been being released on our website at www.wildlifeatrisk.org

The overall budget for 2012 - 2013 is approximately USD513,768 of which USD334,717 has been spent on WAR's enforcement missions across three wildlife rescue stations at CCWRS, CTWRS and HMWRS. USD48,340 has been used on our public awareness projects and USD85,868 has been used for both field and captive conservation highlighting our commitment to Vietnam's wildlife and their habitats.

WAR continues to build on its positive working relationship with the Forestry Protection Department (FPD) in HCMC and throughout Vietnam, as well as with the Kien Giang Union of Friendship Organisation (KUFO) and Cat Tien National Park. In addition, WAR received support from international experts for several biological surveys on the subject of conservation and biodiversity protection highlighting WAR's commitment towards Vietnams' unique biodiversity.

Enforcement

All WRS provide support and back up facilities for the FPD agencies and Environmental Police Office on confiscated illegal wildlife. These WRS are also facilities for the government agencies to cross-check information on endangered wildlife as well as a place to visit and learn more about various species of wildlife. The stations also provide a base for these teams to learn the administrative and technical procedures for rescuing wildlife.

The HMWRS is now taking off with several developments in their wildlife rescue facilities. These include an enclosure for the silver langur, rain water storage and the recycling of treated waste water. The station has also been one of the key components in the treatment of confiscated wildlife from the FPD at Kien Giang over the last 12 months. With this support the FPD rangers are now confident to confiscate animals and to encourage locals that wild-life is not be raised as pets. More than 20 porcupines, a silver langur and several leopard cats have been transferred to the station. The station is also a destination for officers from other provinces to visit and learn more about the difficulties involved with wildlife rescue and what are considered formal and informal actions in the race to protect wildlife. This could also be a similar experience for both locals and visitors to the HMWRS.

Twenty five students from HCMC based universities and more than 40 staffs of big companies from HCMC visited HMWRS to paint animal enclosures and to plant trees to contribute to the long-term environmental protection in Hon Me. Step by step the HMWRS is building up a reputation and becoming a “green” address for youth and groups of people from companies or government agencies to visit. In doing so, it is hoped that the HMWRS’ mission will become a reality in other communities.

The CTWRS is being upgraded to provide better vet facilities while still being open for visitors to the park. Over the past 12 months, approximately 50 individual wildlife have been taken and released back to the Cat Tien forest. The station has also provided rescue back-up for other WRS such as CCWRS for large animals like bears. This is because CTWRS has the necessary space available being a large national park. WAR is enhancing several activities on public awareness at this station.

In another initiative, the information boards have been enhanced to provide more interesting information for visitors to the park. WAR is also expecting a closer collaboration with its local partner, Cat Tien National Park, on managing and rescuing wildlife with resources and support from WAR.

The CCWRS is still in the top three WRS by number of incoming rescued wildlife species and outgoing released species. This reflects the level of importance of CCWRS due to the increasing trade in wildlife in Vietnam’s largest city. CCWRS is also the first of its kind in the Southern and Central parts of Vietnam by playing a vital role in eliminating illegal wildlife trade but also assisting other government bodies in both technical and staff training. WAR also encourages, and has implemented, an exchange of staff between its three facilities. The purpose of this is to open up opportunities to all animal keepers and veterinary staffs to learn from one another about the technical skills of wildlife rescue as well as methods of promoting understanding among staffs from different areas of the country.

Since WAR established the CCWRS in 2006, the station has rescued approximately 5,500 individual wildlife. From 1/7/2012 through to 30/6/2013 the rescue station has received over 400 individual species, many of which are Endangered (EN) or Critically Endangered (CR) species. Many of these species have come from outside the HCMC area including Dong Nai province, Binh Duong province, Tay Ninh province and Tien Giang province, Long An province and further into Central Vietnam. Endangered species such as gibbons, loris, bears, and king-cobra are always a priority for the rescue station due to their status within Vietnam. With this increased number of wildlife at CCWRS, more staffs have been recruited to tackle WAR’s mission at this station.

This year (2012 – 2013), WAR has welcomed 28 international volunteers, from a wide range of countries, to volunteer at the station and provide some help to WAR staffs and the wildlife at CCRWS. WAR would like to thank all the volunteers for their contribution towards saving Vietnam’s endangered species at CCWRS and their friendship with WAR staffs.

Raising Awareness

This is the second year that WAR provided the mobile tent SOS Exhibition. Since 2012, the operating mobile tent has passed through 12 secondary schools in four districts of Ho Chi Minh City. A total of 20 schools in HCMC have displayed the tents so far. The program has benefited more than 14,000 students who have had the chance to learn and explore conservation activities. WAR's long-term strategy in this area is development of activities and presentations to attract students and public on wildlife protection and ultimately save Vietnam's wildlife forever. Twenty five out of a total of forty voluntary students have been awarded a trip to one of WAR's wildlife rescue stations to work directly with animals and to have the chance to learn and practice wildlife survey activities. Beside this, co-operation between these volunteer students and other locals in terms of education and information on the protection of wildlife is an important step towards a sustainable solution for conservation in Vietnam.

Success in the area of visitors and activities last year meant that WAR decided to keep developing these initiatives and as such tours for children and students to visit CCWRS and CTWRS where they could observe non-releasable wildlife in semi-natural environment. Students are also able to participate in releasing native fresh-water fish species into the Saigon River which WAR has bred at its head office. More field trips are being made available to students to learn and explore native forests in protected areas around Ho Chi Minh City.

BAO RUA VANG and **KHAN QUANG DO** have been WAR's partners over the last six months of 2012. The magazine is employed to spread information on conservation education and protection of Vietnam's environment. WAR has also developed several activities with green clubs and school students. By doing so we are providing students with more opportunities to interact with conservation wildlife and learn about the difficulties of rescuing wildlife. WAR believes that practical lessons will engage students and in the future Vietnam will have more young conservationists. WAR is committed to continuing this mission of public awareness as a sustainable way for the protection of nature and conservation of wildlife.

Protection in the Wild

WAR started the captive breeding of freshwater fish in the year (2010-2011) and has continued due to the success of the project both in breeding multiple species but also re-releasing many individuals with the help of local students. An endangered fresh water fish species and frog have been on trial for captive breeding this year 2011-2012. They are all listed on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red-list and the purpose of this program is to increase their population in the wild. WAR, with its limited human resources, will implement programs that focus on some selected species that are:

- 1) Suitable to the environment in Southern Vietnam;
- 2) Could be used in combination with wildlife education on release activities.

Initial results have encouraged WAR staffs to follow up and expand the program. During this year 2012 -2013, WAR has released back to the wild 60 frogs that bred from a captive breeding program for conservation. Our co-operation in this field is expanding with young Ph.D. students of the National Museum of Nature doing analysis on the DNA of species to back up WAR activities on conservation.

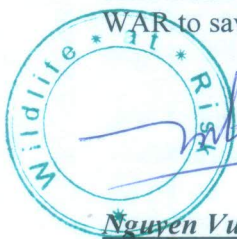
WAR often organises biodiversity field surveys in co-operation with experienced experts who volunteer to work for WAR. Results of the survey and outcomes are always released to the public and on WAR's website. Over the past year WAR expanded its activities in biodiversity surveys to Tho Chu – Phu Quoc islands, Ba To mountainous area and Nui Chua National Park (Binh Thuan province) and Lo Go Xa Mat National park (Tay Ninh province). Interesting information on various species is being prepared by WAR specialists in order for release as public information. WAR believes this information is one way to encourage young people to become involved in wildlife protection and also to provide some scientific base for the management and decision making processes of protected areas.

Though this is not a big activity of WAR, many of the results and field information from the survey have revealed interesting information for use by WAR for public conservation education. Video clips, photos, information of various species are regularly updated. WAR's conservation team has worked hard on visual results to contribute towards conservation in Vietnam. Finding any wildlife species in a certain field is meaningful to science and useful for managers and decision makers on planning local forest protection. This approach by WAR is supported and welcomed by local authorities particularly where information on wildlife is still poor and not well documented.

Human Resources

A total of 28 national staffs and one British expatriate, are committed to work with WAR to save Vietnam's wildlife. Experienced volunteers have made a significant contribution towards WAR's work, particularly at the CCWRS and in field surveys. This is helping to enforce and further WAR's efforts and reputation both nationally and internationally.

Along with WAR's development, many caring individuals, companies and organisations have contributed towards WAR's mission on saving Vietnam's endangered species and have joined WAR to save Vietnam's natural heritage and resources for future generations.



Nguyen Vu Khoi

Wildlife At Risk (WAR), CEO.

On behalf of

Wildlife At Risk (WAR) Trustee.

Dominic Scriven, OBE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Management of Wildlife At Risk

Scope


We have audited the statement of receipts and payments ("the statement") of Wildlife At Risk for the year ended 30 June 2013 which were authorised for issue by the management on 15 October 2013. The statement is the responsibility of Wildlife at Risk's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that the statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1(a), the accompanying statement is prepared in accordance with the cash receipts and disbursements basis, a basis of accounting other than International Financial Reporting Standards.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the statement of receipts and payments presents fairly, in all material respects, the funds received and payments made by Wildlife At Risk for the year ended 30 June 2013 in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Notes 1.


KPMG Limited
Vietnam
Investment Certificate No: 011043000345

Ho Chi Minh City, 15 October 2013

Wildlife At Risk**Statement of receipts and payments for the year ended 30 June 2013**

		2013 USD	2012 USD
Receipts			
Receipts from donors	2	513,768	486,934
Advance received back from last year		-	6,849
Total receipts		513,768	493,783
Payments			
Office and administration expenditures		(49,017)	(51,942)
Project expenditures	3	(468,925)	(451,839)
Total payments		(517,942)	(503,781)
Deficit of receipts over payments for the year		(4,174)	(9,998)
Surplus of receipts over payments b/f		74,529	84,527
Surplus of receipts over payments c/f		70,355	74,529

15 October 2013

Prepared by:

Huynh Thi Nhu Lien
Chief Accountant

Approved by:

* Nguyen Vu Khoi
Chief Executive Officer*The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement*

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Notes to the statement of receipts and payments for the year ended 30 June 2013

These notes form an integral part of, and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying statement of receipts and payments.

1 Summary of significant accounting policies

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted by Wildlife At Risk in the preparation of this statement.

(a) Basis of preparation

The statement of receipts and payments, expressed in United States Dollars ("USD"), has been prepared in accordance with the cash receipts and disbursements basis. This is a basis of accounting that is designed to meet the requirements of Wildlife at Risk; it is not designed to produce a statement of receipts and payments that is compatible with International Financial Reporting Standards. On this basis, income is recognised when received rather than when earned; advances to project staff are recorded as expenditure when the advances are liquidated; other expenditure is recognised when paid rather than when incurred.

(b) Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in currencies other than USD during the year have been translated into USD at the rates approximating those ruling at the transaction dates.

(c) Non-expendable equipment

The cost of non-expendable equipment is charged to expenditure upon acquisition.

2 Receipts from donors

All funds received during the year were made available by:

	2013 USD	2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	448,251	416,149
Brigitter Bardot Aide Financial Foundation	9,293	9,557
Dragon Capital	5,000	12,998
Osprey Packs	3,980	-
Melbourne Fund	10,920	14,970
Donation from individuals and other organisations	36,324	33,260
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3 Project expenditures

	2013 USD	2012 USD
Enforcement	334,717	349,658
Awareness	48,340	62,916
Conservation	85,868	39,265
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	468,925	451,839

Included in the project expenditures were merchandise inventories costing USD674 (2012: USD7,471) which were traded and used as a source of donation. These merchandise inventories were not fully sold during the year and the remaining balance as at 30 June 2013 was USD12,717 (2012: USD13,532).

Included in the project expenditures were contributions of USD420,067 (2012: USD389,991) from Mr. Dominic Scriven, the president of Wildlife at Risk.

4 Other supplementary information

The information disclosed in Appendix A to H represents the donations received and expenditures incurred from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 on various projects carried out by Wildlife At Risk and these Appendixes form part of the statement of receipts and payments for the year ended 30 June 2013.

**Wildlife At Risk
Cu Chi Rescue Station**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	85,313	65,833
Donation from individuals	-	9,293
Brigitter Bardot Aide Financial Foundation	5,516	15,093
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	90,829	90,219
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Construction	3,328	3,089
Equipment	2,738	479
Staff expenses	30,643	29,025
Medicine	1,101	1,219
Food	22,590	22,811
Administration expenses	18,966	18,966
Others	11,463	14,630
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	90,829	90,219
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**Wildlife At Risk
Hon Me Rescue Station**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	45,890	43,618

2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Construction	6,197	3,682
Equipment	4,110	2,906
Staff expenses	9,990	10,519
Food	8,359	7,131
Administration expenses	9,377	9,377
Others	7,857	10,003
	45,890	43,618

**Wildlife At Risk
Cat Tien**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	23,638	38,083
Donation from individuals	1,307	1,133
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	24,945	39,216
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Construction	2,844	155
Equipment	568	264
Staff expenses	4,885	20,764
Food	9,601	10,302
Medicine	44	41
Administration expenses	6,721	6,721
Others	282	969
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	24,945	39,216
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**Wildlife At Risk
Wildlife Education Project**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	26,252	21,022
Others	16	1,050
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	26,268	22,072
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Equipment	366	81
Staff expenses	12,843	7,547
Events expenses	4,501	9,079
Administration expenses	5,064	5,064
Others	3,494	301
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	26,268	22,072
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**Wildlife At Risk
Phu Quoc Project**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	4,220	3,886

2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Travelling expenses	2,810	2,653
Staff expenses	559	-
Administration expenses	849	849
Others	2	384
	4,220	3,886

**Wildlife At Risk
U Minh Thuong Project**

1. Receipts from donor

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	4,864	3,833
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Travelling expenses	887	1,844
Staff expenses	2,012	1,078
Administration expenses	911	911
Others	1,054	-
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	4,864	3,833
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**Wildlife At Risk
Fish Project**

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	1,446	5,498
Melbourne Fund	2,020	-
Others	-	144
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	3,466	5,642
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Equipment	2,226	3,903
Administration expenses	954	954
Others	286	785
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	3,466	5,642
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Wildlife At Risk
Quang Ngai – Ba To Conservation Project

1. Receipts from donors

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Mr. Dominic Scriven, the President of Wildlife at Risk	40,390	6,281
Melbourne Fund	13,286	-
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	53,676	6,281
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2. Project expenditures

	From 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013 USD	From 1 July 2012 to 31 December 2012 USD
Travelling expenses	11,962	-
Equipment	35,242	-
Administration expenses	6,281	6,281
Others	191	-
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	53,676	6,281
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