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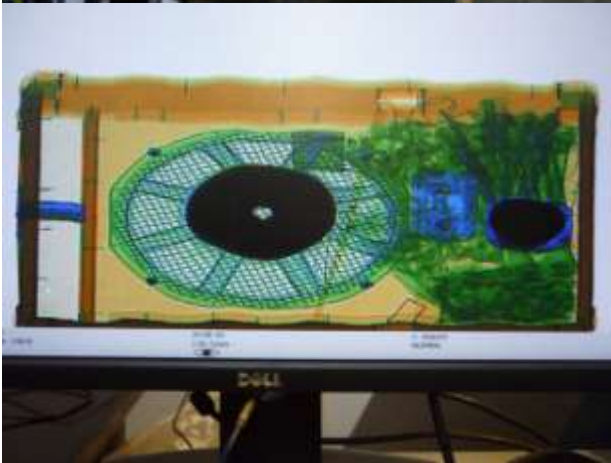
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Seizure of two tiger skeletons in cargo shipment to Vietnam



26.6.2013 – Customs officers and CEI wildlife inspectors at the Prague airport checked a consignment exported by Vietnamese national from Czech republic to Vietnam. The big cargo shipment was declared as pots, pans, glasses, music players and other personal things. There were found two complete skeletons of tiger (*Panthera tigris*, CITES I/A) hidden inside music loud-speakers. There were rests of dried tissue and blood on the skeletons so they smelled very strongly and disgustingly. Plastic bags with bones were covered by odour napkins, probably to prevent from a possible detection by sniffer dogs. The case is under investigation.

It is second similar case of seizure of tiger skeleton in this year in Czech republic (Prague CITES news n. 100).

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