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RE: Valid Certificate of Compliance Request

Dear Superintendent,

We note the recent burglary from Michael Flatley of Castlehyde House, Fermoy of a rhinoceros horn. As you are probably aware, possession of any parts of such endangered and protected species requires a permit or certificate of authorisation under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora [CITES].

We have spoken with the CITES Management Authority of the National Parks and Wildlife Service and they have confirmed to us that Mr Flatley must be in possession of such authorisation to hold his specimen.

We would be grateful if you could assure us that this specimen and any others held in the 'Safari Room' of Castlehyde have the appropriate authorisation from the appropriate CITES Management Authority.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Roche

Just Forests (and on behalf of the environmental groups listed below)

Irish Seal Sanctuary
Irish Wildlife Trust
Irish Whale and Dolphin Group
Friends of the Irish Environment
Centre for Environmental Living and Training
Coastwatch Ireland
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