

Illegal ivory trade in Central African Sub-region



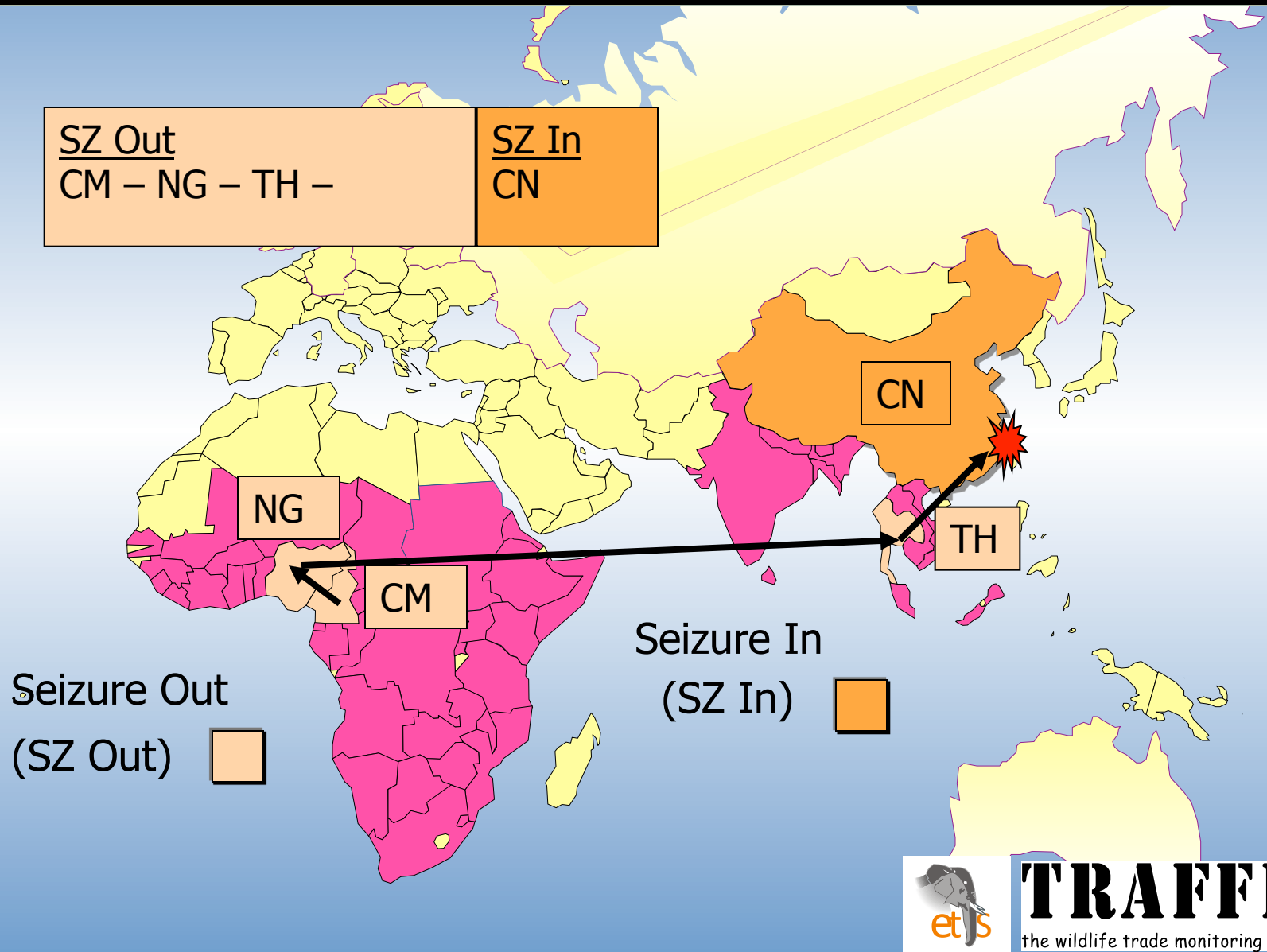
Wildlife Trafficking in Central Africa,
Brazzaville, Congo, April 27, 2015

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Illegal Ivory Trade: Anatomy of an ivory seizure



Measuring Frequency and Law Enforcement Effort

CENTRAL AFRICA

1989 - 2014 SZ In – SZ Out

Law Enforcement Effort Ratio

$SZ\ In / (SZ\ In + SZ\ Out) = LE\ Ratio$

Cameroon	129 - 282	31.4%
CAR	8 - 47	14.5%
Congo	19 - 173	9.9%
DRC	9 - 495	1.8%
Gabon	52 - 107	32.7%
Total	217 1,104	16.4%



Measuring Weight of Ivory Seized

CENTRAL AFRICA

1989 - 2014 WT In – WT Out
(KG) (KG)

Cameroon	6,771 - 11,932
CAR	828 - 866
Congo	1,167 - 3,542
DRC	6,542 - 15,248
Gabon	3,093 - 10,455



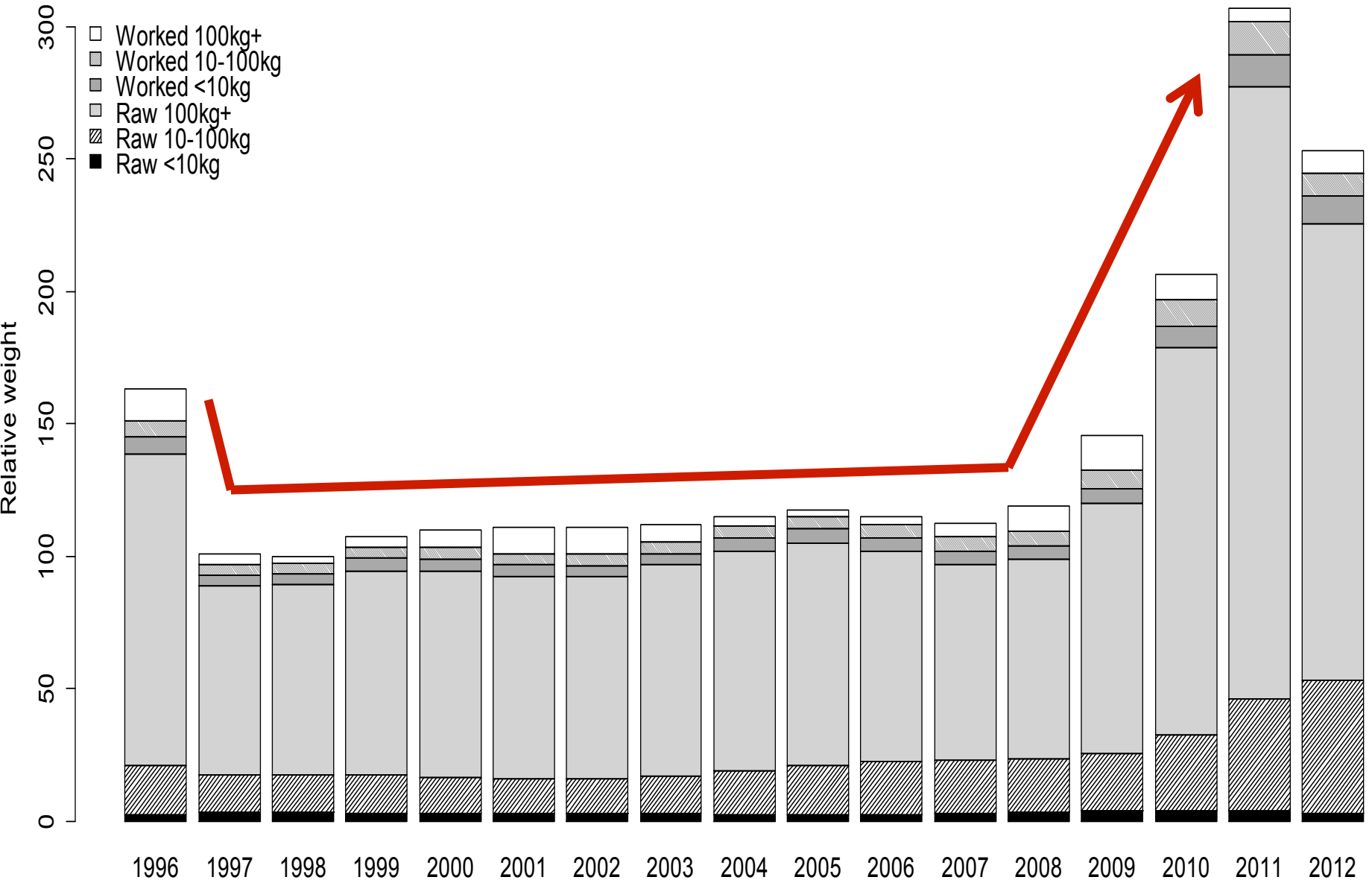
Libreville, April 2007

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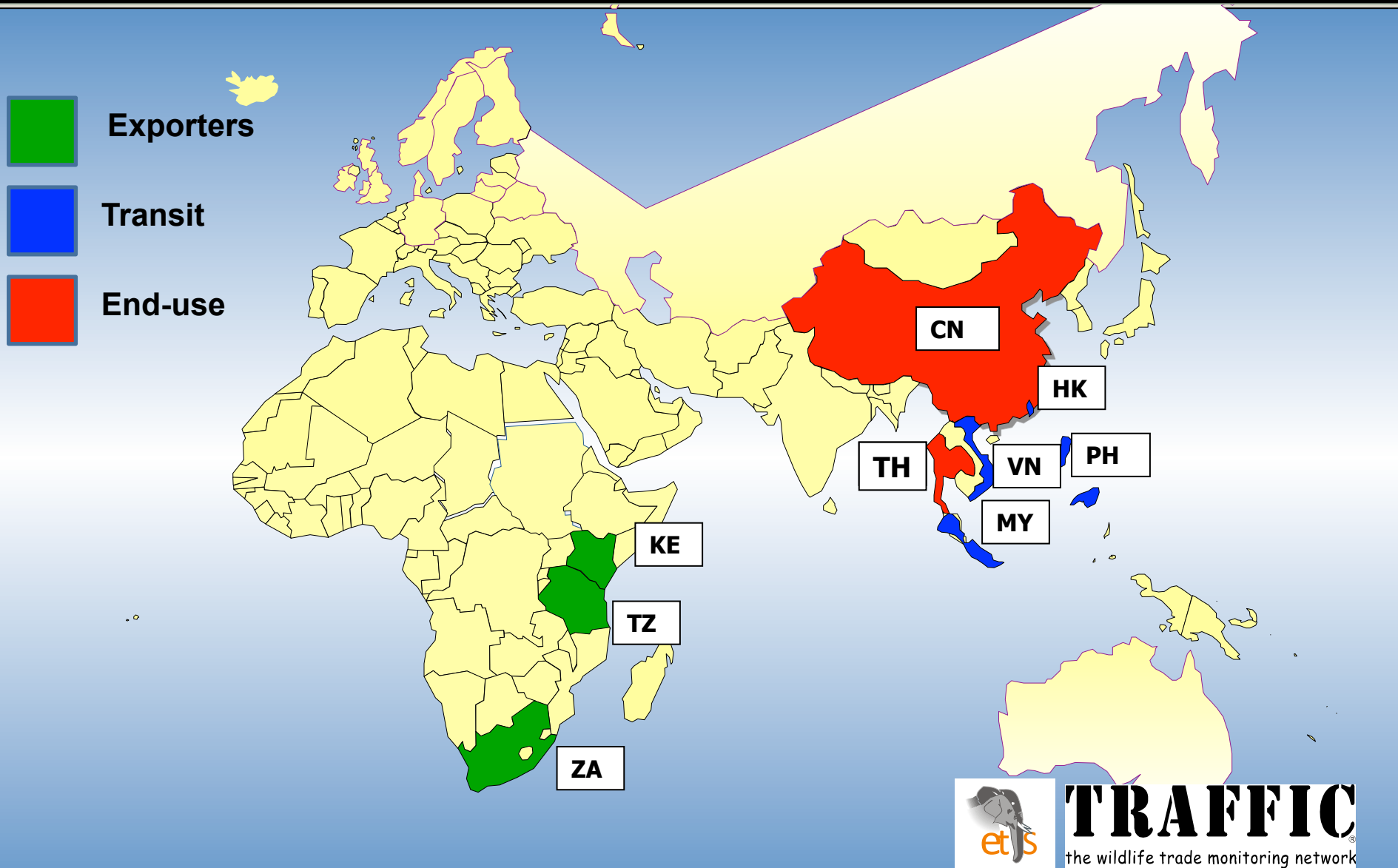
Total WT In = 18,401 kg

Total WT Out = 42,043 kg

Illegal Ivory Trade Weight: Global trends

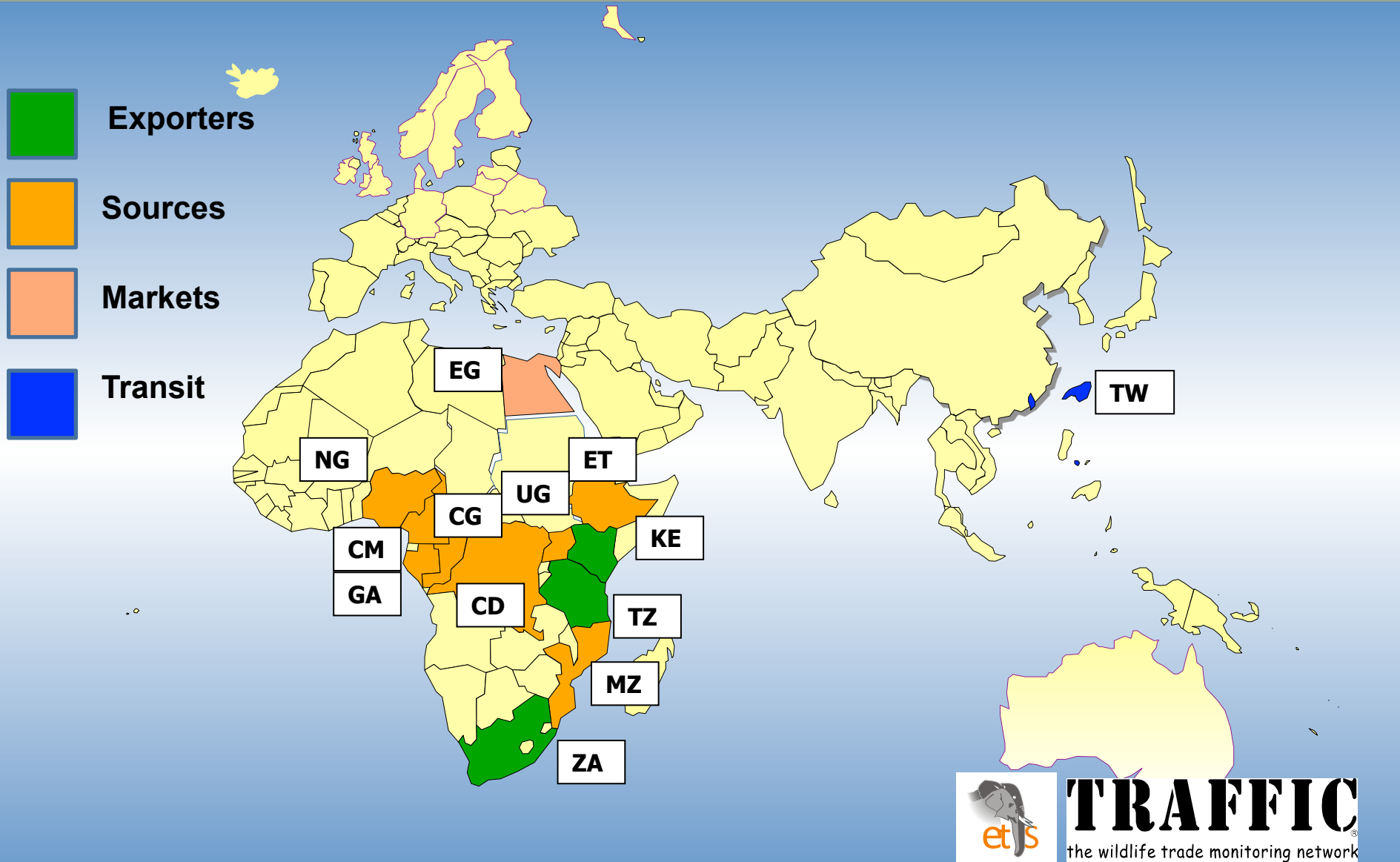


Illegal Ivory Trade: Priority countries of concern

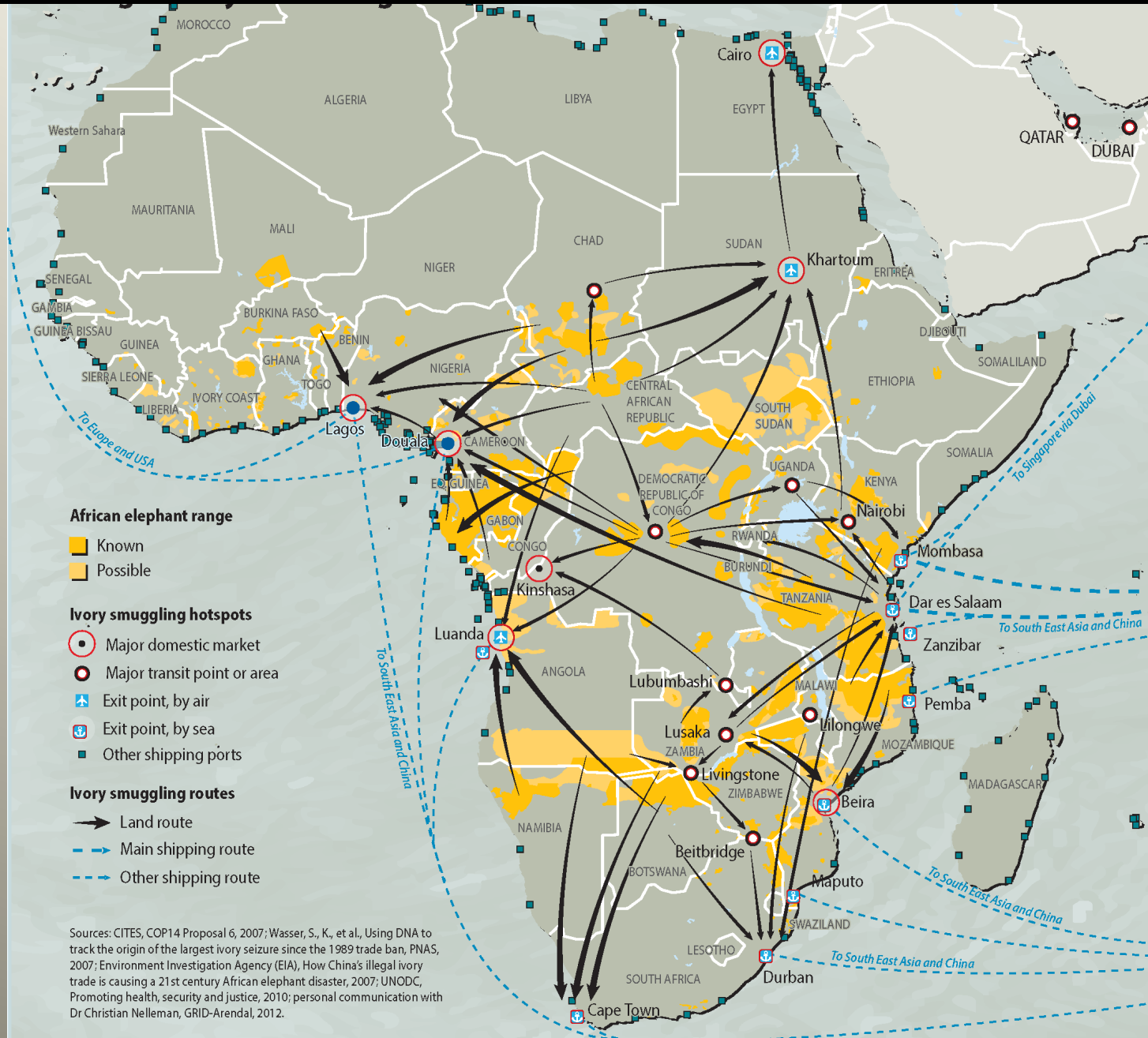


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Illegal Ivory Trade: Secondary countries of concern



Illegal Ivory Trafficking Routes in Africa



Domestic Ivory Markets in Africa

Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo
May 2007



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Domestic Ivory Markets in Africa

Kinshasa, 2015



Bangui, CAR – 2007



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BEYOND THE HEADLINES

218,155 pangolins in reported seizures between 2000-2012

(Background report on illegal trade in elephant, rhino, big cats and pangolins, 2013, TRAFFIC)

19,000 tortoises and freshwater turtles seized in Thailand between 2008-2013

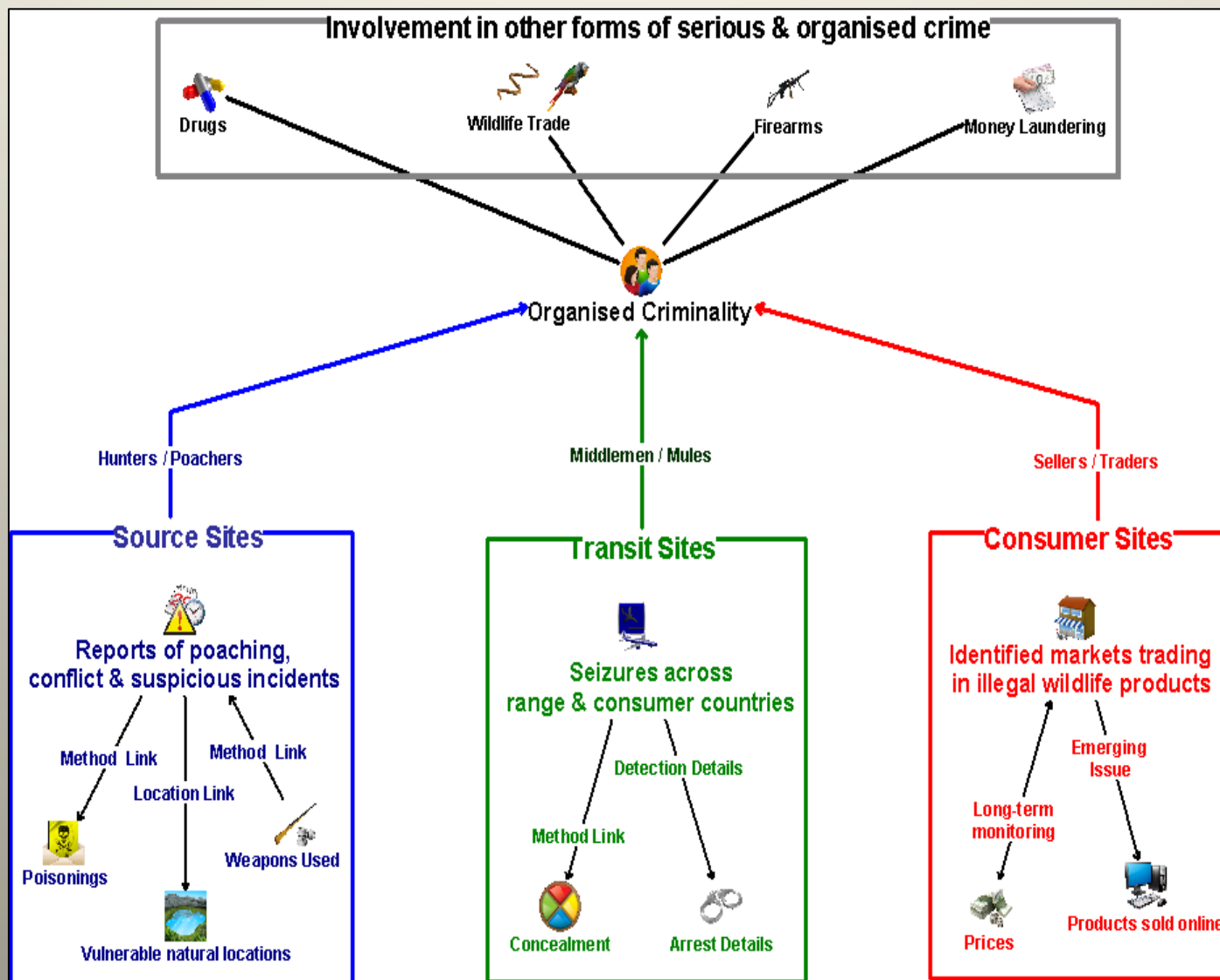
(Seizures of Tortoises and Freshwater Turtles in Thailand 2008-2013, 2014, TRAFFIC)

20,500 tons of abalone poached and illegally traded between 2004-2014

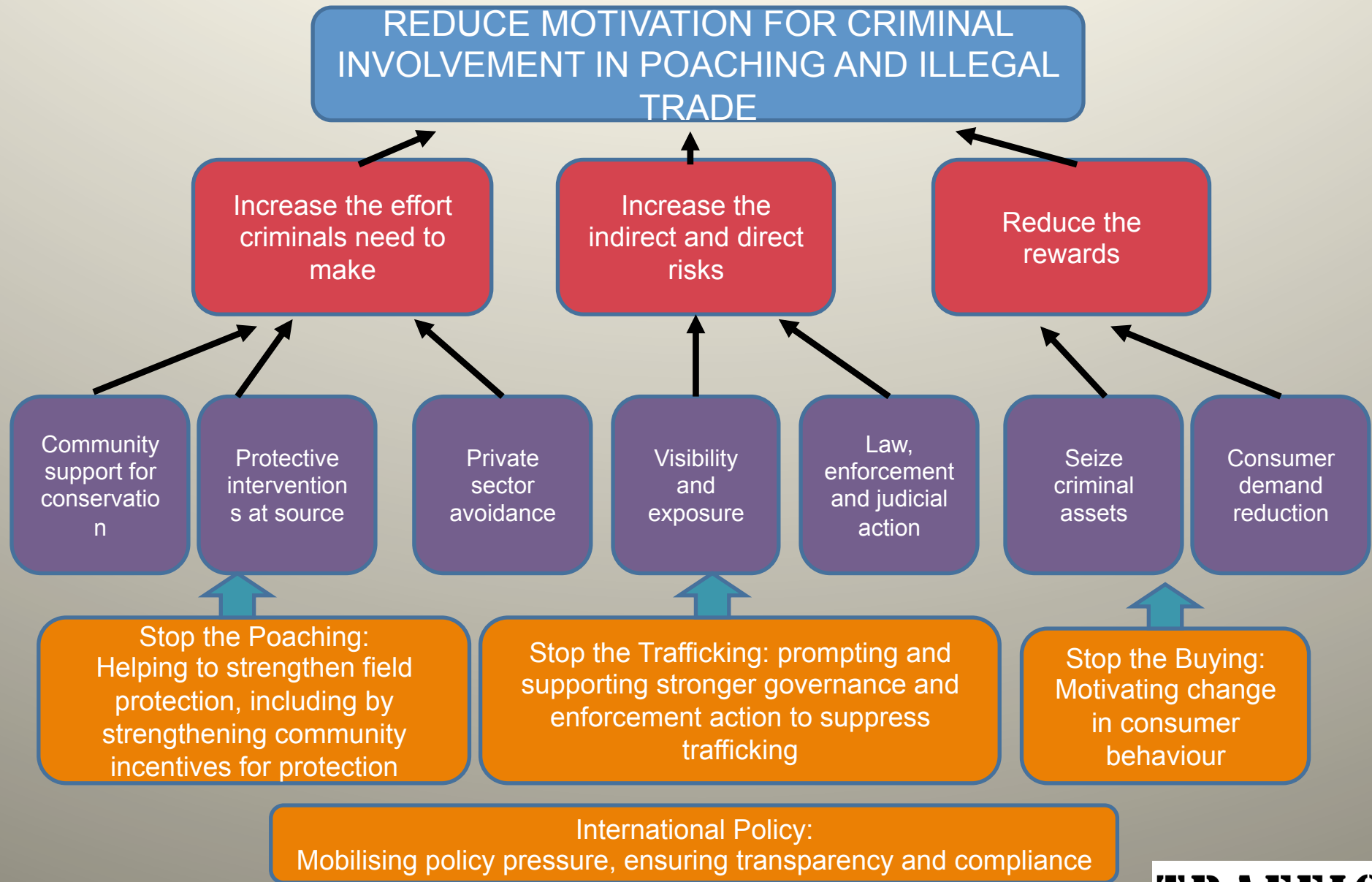
(South Africa's illicit abalone trade: An updated overview and knowledge gap analysis, 2014, TRAFFIC)



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Wildlife crime interventions – theory of change



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