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PRESS STATEMENT

INCIDENT AT ACCRA ZOO

Around 12:00 hours today 28th August 2022, officials of the Accra Zoo on a routine patrol, noticed a middle aged man (an intruder) had jumped the security fences and entered the lions enclosure of the Zoo. The motive of the intruder is yet to be determined.

The intruder was attacked and injured by one of the lions, within the inner fencing of the enclosure. The intruder has been confirmed dead from injuries sustained and the body has been conveyed to the morgue.

Accra Zoo authorities successfully coaxed the lions into a secure hold and invited the Achimota Police to convey the body and commence investigations.

We wish to confirm that the lion, the lioness and the two (2) cubs remain secured in their enclosure at the Accra Zoo.

Forestry Commission wishes to assure the general public that no lion has escaped from the Accra Zoo.

The Deputy Minister of Lands and Natural Resources and the Chief Executive of the Forestry Commission Hon. Benito Owusu Bio and John Allotey respectively, have visited the Zoo this afternoon to ensure all facilities remain secure.

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The Chief Executive
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