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Chinese Stripe Necked Turtles (*Mauremys sinensis*)
boxed for the journey.
Photo by: Thanh Do Hao – TCC

50 endangered turtles find a new home at the Turtle Conservation Centre, Vietnam

On the 22nd July 2016, 50 turtles belong to four species were transferring to the Cuc Phuong Turtle Conservation Centre (TCC) – Cuc Phuong National Park in Vietnam. They had all been rescued from the illegal wildlife trade by the law enforcement department and transferred to Soc Son Wildlife Rescue Centre (WRC) in June. Under a formal agreement between Soc Son WRC and Cuc Phuong National Park the animals were transferred to the Turtle Conservation Centre (TCC) where more suitable facilities are available for the animals. This is the second group of turtles handed over from Soc Son WRC to the TCC this year, with over 130 animals, showing the effective cooperation for turtle conservation between Cuc Phuong National Park and Soc Son WRC.

We would like to send a big thank you to Soc Son Wildlife Rescue Centre (WRC), Cuc Phuong National Park, and the Asian Turtle Program (ATP) of Indo Myanmar Conservation (IMC) who continue to work with us on all the rescue and rehabilitation. With nearly 1,000 turtles at TCC, we are looking for your supports for care and future release of some of these animals back into the wild.

Press release by: Thanh Do Hao - Turtle Conservation Centre (TCC), Cuc Phuong National Park

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We would like to thank the World Land Trust, Bristol Zoo, Zoological Society of London, Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, Wildlife Conservation Society, and Turtle Survival Alliance who have all held support the rescue and treatments so far.



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Photo right: Nguyen Duc Luong of the TCC (left) and the new ATP vet nurse Nguyen Hong Quang (right) inspect the animals at the TCC quarantine station.

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Photo left: Staff of Soc Son Wildlife Rescue Centre and the Turtle Conservation Centre work together to box the animals ready for the 3-hour trip to Cuc Phuong National Park. Photo by: Thanh Do Hao – TCC