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**REPORT OF A MISSION TO EVALUATE LOGGING OPERATIONS
WITHIN RECOVERY NO. 27 LOCATED IN YAWANDA, DEPARTMENT OF
SANAGA-MARITIME**

(20th to 22nd August 2001)

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GLOBAL WITNESS**

By means of memorandum No. 2788/NS/MINEF/CAB/UCC of 14th August 2001, a mission to control and evaluate logging operations was established in order to assess the areas of recovery (ARB) No. 27 located in YAWANDA, Department of Sanaga-Maritime, Province of Littoral.

This mission comprised:

Mr. KINGUE NJOH Herman – CUC Inspector, Team Leader
Mr. KOUAMEDJO Thomas – Head of Section/Littoral, Member
GLOBAL WITNESS – Member

The Head of the Departmental Section for the Environment joined the team.

This report focuses on the following four points:

1. The mission's programme
2. The resources used
3. An actual evaluation of the areas
4. Recommendations

1. THE MISSION'S PROGRAMME

On 20/8/2001, the team travelled to Douala to meet the Provincial Delegate for Littoral Province, who provided us with the documentation relating to recovery no. 27.

On 21/8/2001, after a meeting with the Departmental Delegate for Sanaga-Maritime, the team headed for Yawanda.

2. RESOURCES USED

II.1 – Material and Technical Resources

- 2 TOYOTA HILUX PICK-UPS (Global Witness and Littoral Team)
- 1 YAMAHA 100 MOTORBIKE (Global Witness)
- 3 GPS (Garmin brand)
- 2 CANON cameras
- 1 Camcorder
- Maps to 1/200000
- 1 SONY Laptop

III. AN EVALUATION OF THE AREA ILLEGALLY LOGGED

• Findings

The team undertook an evaluation of the area logged by Panagiotis Marelis outside the boundaries of recovery no 27.

In the field, the team noted stumps outside the boundaries at the following points:

Point 10, unmarked stump of an ekki (Lophira alata/Lophira procera)

Point 11 stump of an ekki marked 527 on 26/3/2000

Point 12 stump of an ekki marked 528 on 16/3/2000

With the following coordinates, respectively:

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|-----------------|----------------|
| - N 03° 21,124' | E 010° 02,348' |
| - N 03° 21,177' | E 010° 02,337' |
| - N 03° 21,255' | E 010° 02,125' |

In application of article 159 of the Forestry Code, this is as follows:

Nos.	Species	Volume logged (M3)	Market price	Amount of damages
1	Lophira alata/Lophira procera	467	76,500	35,514,063
2	Pycnanthus angolensis	280	55,250	15,476,094
3	Nauclea diderrichii	187	68,000	12,698,334
	TOTAL	934		63,888,491

- *Call the responsible person within the company to a hearing on the basis of a violation of law report (procès-verbal)*

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

The area being impassable in the rainy season, the team was unable to cover the whole of the area illegally logged. We thus suggest that this case be handed over to the MINEF Departmental Delegation of Sanaga-Maritime so that they can assess the area not covered by the team, ARB 024 included.

MINEF must summon the offending company in order to bring this case to a conclusion.

MEMBERS

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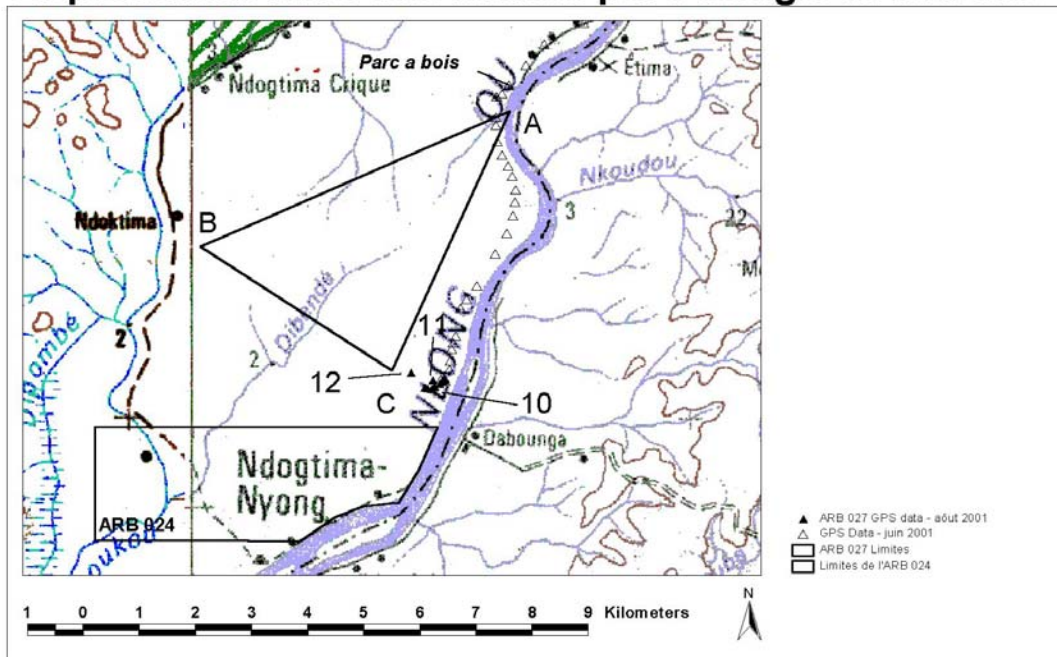
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Jean Cyrille OWADA
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TEAM LEADER

KINGUE NJOH Herman
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Exploitation hors des limites par Panagiotis Marelis



Logging by Panagiotis Marelis outside of the boundaries



A *Pycnanthus angolensis* outside the AB boundary of ARB 027

