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## Land iguanas suitcase rescued German citizen are in good condition

*The DPNG awaiting the arrival of lab results that will determine the island belonging to four individuals.*



The four iguanas (*Conolophus subcristatus*) resumed their normal feeding and maintain proper weight.

Under the care process rangers Conservation and Ecosystem Restoration Island (CREI), the Galapagos National Park Directorate, remain the four iguanas that were found in the luggage of a German Dirk Bender and successfully recover from stress to which were subjected to capture, handling and removal of their natural habitat.

Individuals of this species were discovered *Conolophus subcristatus* within fabric covers in luggage Bender, who sought them out of Galapagos illegally, through the Baltra airport, and were subsequently transferred to the Breeding Center in Santa giant tortoises Cross for care.

After arrival in the breeding center on 8 July, the four iguanas after an adaptation process resumed their normal feeding and maintaining proper weight, so land iguanas are ready for their repatriation, as reported by rangers that serve permanently.

Rangers include cactus fruit and branches of otoy in the diet of iguanas, which were adapted to conditions similar to their natural habitat within the pens are inspected once a day.

The Galapagos National Park Directorate awaiting the arrival of the results of the DNA lab tests that will identify the source of the iguanas, information that will repatriate to the island from which they were extracted.

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