This flowchart provides an example of the type of questions that Born Free has to ask whenever a wild animal in distress is brought to its attention. However, each situation is unique and even if all the circumstances appear to fit the flowchart, this does not mean the animal(s) will be able to be rescued by Born Free.

**ANIMAL(S) IN NEED OF RESCUE**

Will rescue significantly improve animal welfare?

- **NO**
  - Is the owner willing to relinquish animal?
    - **NO**
      - Is the animal healthy & fit to travel? Is there veterinary approval?
        - **NO**
          - Will the facility/owner agree not to replace the animal(s)?
            - **NO**
              - Will the authorities issue the necessary import/export permits?
                - **NO**
                  - Is it safe & logistically feasible to rescue?
                    - **NO**
                      - Are the required funds available for rescue & lifetime care? Can the funds be raised?
                        - **NO**
                          - Are there sanctuary space available?
                            - **NO**
                              - Can the animal(s) be introduced to another sanctuary animal?
                                - **NO**
                                  - Can the funds be raised to build new enclosures?
                                    - **NO**
                                      - Is there permission to extend sanctuary?
                                        - **NO**
                                          - Rescue unable to proceed
                                            - Proceed with rescue

- **YES**
  - Are the relevant authorities willing to confiscate?
    - **NO**
      - Can Born Free influence? Campaign/media/contacts?
        - **NO**
          - Is the animal unstable to make it fit for travel? Is there veterinary approval?
            - **NO**
              - Will the facility/owner agree not to replace the animal(s)?
                - **NO**
                  - Will the authorities issue the necessary import/export permits?
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