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4.2.2011 – Customs officers checked suspicious post parcel in the post office warehouse in Prague. This parcel sent from USA contained several pieces of ivory (elephant and walrus tusks) and whale jaw (CITES I,II,III/A,B). Some of them looked quite old. As several times in the past we found very useful Identification Guide for Ivory and Ivory Substitutes (Espinoza & Mann, 1999), which you can download for example here http://www.cites.org/eng/resources/pub/e-ivory-guide.pdf. Such pieces are often used for knife handles, they were seized.

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