A. General in	nformation
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Party	Ireland
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004	1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004
Details of agency preparing this report	National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	CITES Management Authority CITES Scientific Authority Customs

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1		nformation on CITES-relevant legislation already been ded under the CITES National Legislation Project?				Yes (fully)		$ \mathbf{X} $
			•	n Project?		partly)	l	Ц
	If yes, ignore questions 2	2, 3 and 4.			No		l	
					No in	formatio	on/unknown	
2	If you country has planne following details:	vant legis	lation, p	lease provide t	he			
	Title and date:		ę	Status:				
	Brief description of conte	ents:						
3	Is enacted legislation ava	ailable in o	ne of the	working language	s Yes		[
	of the Convention? N						[
					No in	formatio	on [
4	If yes, please attach a co	py of the	full legisla	ative text or key	legislation attached			
	legislative provisions that	t were gaz	etted.		provided previously			
					not available, will send			
					later	,		
5	Which of the following is	sues are a	ddressed	by any stricter do	omestic	Ticl	k all applicable	
	measures that your coun		•	•	cies			
	(in accordance with Artic			,				
		Т	he condit	ions for:	The c	omplete	prohibition of:	
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No informatio	on
	Trade	\square				\square		
	Taking	\square				\boxtimes		
	Possession	\square				\square		
	Transport					\square		
	Other (specify)					\square		
	Additional comments: Tr	ade and ta	king of na	ative CITES listed	species is	s also su	bject to licence	е
	under the Irish Wildlife A				e Amendm	nent Act	, 2000).	
	Possession licenses are i	ssued for I	Falconifor	mes.				

6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of Tick all applicable CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?						
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information		
	Powers of CITES authorities						
	Clarity of legal obligations						
	Control over CITES trade						
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use						
	Coverage of law for all types of offences						
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties						
	Implementing regulations						
	Coherence within legislation						
	Other (please specify):						
	Please provide details if available:						
7	If no review or assessment has tak	en place, is one	planned for	Ye	s 🗌		
	the next reporting period?			No	\boxtimes		
				No	information		
	Please provide details if available:						
8	Has there been any review of legis subjects in relation to implementation		-	Tick a	II applicable		
	Subject		Yes	No	No information		
	Access to or ownership of natural	resources					
	Harvesting						
	Transporting of live specimens						
	Handling and housing of live specir	nens		\square			
	Please provide details if available:						
9	Please provide details of any additi	onal measures t	aken:				

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No info	No ormation
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations	been underta	ken?	
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:			
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	\boxtimes		
	Border controls	\square		
	Other (specify)			
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?		\boxtimes	
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of viola details as Annex.	tions? If avai	lable, please	attach
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?			

5	If information available:		Number	
	Significant seizures/confiscations			
	Total seizures/confiscations			
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details on annex. Details attached on annex.			
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?		\square	
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available	e, please	e attach details as	Annex.
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?			
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the resu	ılts?		
10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?		Tick if ap	oplicable
	 Return to country of export 			
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 			
	 Designated rescue centres 			
	 Approved, private facilities 			
	– Euthanasia			
	- Other (specify)			
	Comments:			
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed informati significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAG	Yes		
	other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and	No	\boxtimes	
	persistent offenders?	Not applicable		
			No information	
	Comments:			
12	Has your country been involved in cooperative enforcement		Yes	
	activities with other countries		No	\boxtimes
	(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?		No information	
13	If Yes, please give a brief description:			
14	Has your country offered any incentives to local communities		Yes	
	assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to t arrest and conviction of offenders?	No	\boxtimes	
			No information	
15	If Yes, please describe:			
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related		Yes	
	enforcement?		No	\boxtimes
			Not applicable	
			No information	
	Comments:			
17	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:			

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact	Yes	
	information for the MA(s) in your country which are not yet	No	\boxtimes
	reflected in the CITES Directory?	No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.		
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been	Yes	
	designated? There is only one MA for Ireland	No	
		No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as t Directory.	he lead MA in the C	TES
5	How many staff work in each MA? 1.5 Staff in total		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES	Yes	\boxtimes
	related matters?	No	
		No information	
	If yes, please give estimation:		
	.5 staff member 75% 1 staff member 20%		
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if ap	plicable
	– Administration		\boxtimes
	– Biology		
	 Economics/trade 		
	 Law/policy 		
	 Law/policy Other (specify) 		
8	- Other (specify)	Yes	
8	 Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, 	Yes No	
8	 Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in 		
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D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the SA(s) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.		
3	Has your country designated a Scientific Authority independent	Yes	
	from the Management Authority?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s) in your country?	Tick if ap	plicable
	 Government institution 		\square
	 Academic or research institution 		
	 Permanent committee 		
	 Pool of individuals with certain expertise 		
	– Other (specify)		

5	How many st	taff work in eacl	h SA on CITES	issues?	Two		
6		mate the percen	tage of time the	ey spend o	n CITES	Yes	\square
	related matte	rs?				No	
						No informati	on 🗌
I		give estimation					
7		skills/expertise	of staff within	the SA(s)?		Tick	t if applicable
	– Botany						
	 Ecology 						\square
	– Fisheries						
	 Forestry 						
	 Welfare 						
	– Zoology						\square
	- Other (spe	ecify)					
	– No informa	ation					
8		earch activities	been undertake	n by the S	A(s) in	Yes	
	relation to Cl	TES species?				No	\boxtimes
						No informati	on 🗌
9	If Yes, please	e give the specie	s name and pro	ovide detai	Is of the kind	of research inv	olved.
	Species	Populations	Distribution	Off	Legal	Illegal	Other
	name			take	trade	trade	(specify)
	1						
	2						
	3		ļ			ļ	
	etc.						•••••
						No informat	ion
10		ject proposals f			1 submitted	Yes	
	to the Secret	ariat under Resc	olution Conf. 12	2.2?		No	\boxtimes
						No informat	ion
11	Please provid	le details of any	additional meas	sures taker	า:		

D3 Enforcement Authorities

1	To date, has your country advised the Secretariat of any enforcement authorities that have been designated for the receipt of confidential enforcement information related to	Yes No	
	CITES?	No information	
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and e	email).	
3	Has your country established a specialized unit responsible for	Yes	
	CITES-related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)?	No	\boxtimes
		Under consideration	
		No information	
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement:		
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: None		

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is CITES information in your country computerized? Tick if applicable								
	 Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade 								
	– Monitoring and i	reporting	g of data o	on illegal t	trade				\boxtimes
	– Permit issuance								
	– Not at all								
	– Other (specify)								
2	Do the following au	Ithoritie	s have acc	ess to th	e Interr	net?		Tick if appli	cable
	Authority	Yes, continuous and unrestricted access	Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	Some offices only	Not at all	-	ide details whe propriate	əre
	Management Image: Constraint of the second								
	Scientific Authority	\square							
	Enforcement Authority						-	gionally b staff use a dia	ased al up
3	Do you have an ele	ctronic	informatio	n system	provid	ing inforn	nation Ye	S	
	on CITES species?						No	1	\boxtimes
							No	information	
4	If Yes, does it prov	ide infor	mation on	:				Tick if appli	cable
	 Legislation (nation) 	onal, reg	gional or in	iternation	al)?				
	 Conservation sta 	atus (na	tional, reg	ional, inte	ernatior	nal)?			
	 Other (please sp 								
5	ls it available throug	gh the li	nternet:				Ye		
							No		
								t applicable information	
	Please provide URL						NO	mormation	
6	Do the following au		s have acc	ess to th	e follov	vina nubl	ications?	Tick if applic	able
Ŭ						gement	Scientific	Enforceme	
	Pul	olication	1			hority	Authority	Authorit	
	2003 Checklist of 0	CITES S	<i>pecies</i> (bo	ok)		\boxtimes			
	2003 Checklist of Annotated Appendi			1	[\square			
	Identification Manu	al		ĺ		\boxtimes			
	CITES Handbook					\times			

7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access to the mer problems have been encountered regarding the quantity of inform cause delays in providing all the relevant staff with publications.						
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authority	on: Tick if applica	able				
	 Mortality in transport? 						
	– Seizures and confiscations?		\boxtimes				
	 Discrepancy in number of items in permit and number of items actually traded? 						
	Comments:						
9	Is there a government website with information on CITES and its	Yes					
	requirements?	No	\square				
		No information					
	If Yes, please give the URL:						
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following activities to bring about better accessibility to and understanding of the Convention's requirements to the wider public?	Tick if applica	able				
	 Press releases/conferences 						
	 Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances 		\boxtimes				
	 Brochures, leaflets 		\square				
	– Presentations						
	– Displays		\boxtimes				
	 Information at border crossing points 						
	 Telephone hotline 						
	– Other (specify)						
	Please attach copies of any items as Annex. Leaflet attached						
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:						

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit format or the designation officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates previously to the Secretariat? If no, please provide details of any:	-		Yes No Not applicable No information		
	Changes in permit format:		***************************************			
Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials: Up until September 2003 permits were signed by Bernard Maloney. Since October 2003 permits have been signed by Jamie Mulleady or Peter Carvill.						
2	2 To date, has your country developed written permit procedures for any Tick if a of the following?					
		No	No informati	on		
	Permit issuance/acceptance		\square			
	Registration of traders		\square			
	Registration of producers					

3	Please indicate how many CITES documents were issued or denied in the two year period?							
	(Note that actual trade is normally reported in the Annual Report by Parties. This question refers							
	to issued documents).							
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re-e	xport	Other	Comments	
	How many documents were issued?	12	5	Į	5	12		
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis- information?	0	0	(D	0		
	Year 2							
	How many documents were issued?	24	8	,	1	20		
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis- information?	0	0	(C	0		
4	Were any CITES documents replaced because of severe				d and		Yes No No information	$\Box \boxtimes \Box$
5	If Yes, please give the reaso	ons for this.						
6	Please give the reasons for countries.	rejection of CITE	S docume	ents fi	rom of	ther	Tick if applicable	;
	Rea	ason			Yes	No	No information	on
	Technical violations							
	Suspected fraud							
	Insufficient basis for finding	of non-detrimen	t					
	Insufficient basis for finding	of legal acquisiti	on					
	Other (specify)							
7	Are harvest and/or export q	uotas as a manag	gement to	ool in	the pr	ocedure	Yes	
	for issuance of permits?						No	
							No information	
0	Comments How many times has the Se	piontific Authority	v hoon re	<u>auco+</u>	od to	provide	niniono? The Cal	optific
8	Authority is contacted regar			•		hioniae (pinions: The SCI	
9	Has the MA charged fees for					ted	Tick if appl	icable
	CITES activities? No							
	 Issuance of CITES docu 	ments:						
	 Licensing or registration 	-	at produc	e CIT	ES spe	ecies:		
	- Harvesting of CITES-listed species :							
	 Use of CITES-listed spec 							
	- Assignment of quotas fo	-	ecies:					
	 Importing of CITES-lister 	a species:						
10	 Other (specify): 	mounto of such f						
10	If Yes, please provide the ar	nounts of such f	ees.					

11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation?	Tick if applicable
	– Entirely:	
	– Partly:	
	– Not at all:	
	– Not relevant:	\boxtimes
	Comments:	
12	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:	

D6 Capacity building

1	1Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level? YesTick if apple						
	Increased budget for activities		Impro netwo	vement orks	of na	ationa	ıl 🛛
	Hiring of more staff			ase of t oring/er	quipment for		
	Development of implementation tools		Comp	uterisat	ion		\boxtimes
	 Other (specify) 						
2	Have the CITES authorities in your cou building activities provided by external			recipien	t of a	iny of	the following capacity
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources?
	Staff of Management Authority						The Management Authority organised a training seminar, held in November 2004 with speakers from Britian (Customs, Management & Scientific Authorities & the EU Commission)
	Staff of Scientific Authority						
	Staff of enforcement authorities						
	Traders						
	NGOs						
	Public						
	Other (specify)						

3	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity building activities?							
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	Details	
	Staff of Management Authority						Internal training of our regional staff was carried out by Dr. Linda Patton (enforcement authority)	
	Staff of Scientific Authority	\square			\square			
	Staff of enforcement authorities	\square			\square			
	Traders							
	NGOs							
	Public							
	Other parties/International meetings							
	Other (specify)							
4	Please provide details of any additiona	l measu	res tak	en:				

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an	inter-a	gency	or inter	r-sectoral co	mmitte	e on CITI	ES? Yes		
								No		
								No information		
2	If Yes, wh meet?	nich ag	encies	are re	epresented	and ho	ow often	does it		
3		If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the MA to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs, SA(s), Customs, police, others):								
		Daily	Wee kly	Mont hly	Annually	None	No informat ion	Other (specify)		
	Meetings							The Management and Scientific Authorities and Customs meet - 3 times annually to discuss CITES. There is also regular contact via phone & email. Contacts with the Gardai are currently being arranged		
	Consulta tions									
4	At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:				e been any		ick if licable	Details if available		

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	Agencies for development and trade		
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities		
	Local authorities or communities		
	Indigenous peoples		
	Trade or other private sector associations		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
5	To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements for institutional cooperation related to CITES been agreed between the MA and the following agencies?	Tick if app	licable
	SA		
	Customs		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Has your country participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if app	licable
	Workshops		\boxtimes
	Meetings		\square
	Other (specify)		
7	Has your country encouraged any non-Party to accede to the	Yes	
	Convention?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to	Yes	\square
	another country in relation to CITES?	No	
		No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was prov funding (5,000.00) to the Sponsored Delegates Project prior to Cor		ibuted
11	Has your country provided any data for inclusion in the CITES	Yes	
	Identification Manual?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
13	Has your country taken measures to achieve co-ordination and reduce duplication of activities between the national authorities	Yes	
	for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g.	No	\square
	the biodiversity-related Conventions)?	No information	

14	If Yes, please give a brief description.
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: Dr. Colman O'Criodain of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) has just returned from secondment to the EU Commission where he was chair of the EU CITES Scientific Working Group and co-ordinator of the scientific aspects of CITES implementation in the EU. His secondment was sanctioned and funded by the NPWS.

D8 Areas for future work

1	Are any of the following activities needed to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level and what is the respective level of priority?									
	Activity	High	Medium	Low						
	Increased budget for activities									
	Hiring of more staff	\square								
	Development of implementation tools									
	Improvement of national networks	\square								
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement									
	Computerisation									
	Other (specify)									
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific	Yes								
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?		No							
		No info	ormation							
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?									
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in	Yes		\square						
	your country requiring attention or assistance?	No								
		No int	formation							
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assist shortage of staff available to work on CITES issues is in need of attenti		at is require	ed. A						
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms	Yes								
	within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or	No		\square						
	simplification?	No int	formation							
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.									
8	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:									

E. General feedback

Please provide any additional comments you would like to make, including comments on this format.

Thank you for completing the form. Please remember to include relevant attachments, referred to in the report. For convenience these are listed again below:

Question	Item		
B4	Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	\boxtimes
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\square
C9	Details of violations and results of court actions	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
D4(10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES	Enclosed	\boxtimes
	produced for educational or public awareness purposes,	Not available	
		Not relevant	
	Comments		