A. General information

Party	Malta
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004	1 January 2003 – 31 December 2004
Details of agency preparing this report	CITES Management Authority Nature Protection Unit Environment Protection Directorate Malta Environment and Planning Authority
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CI been provided under t Project? If yes, ignore question If any CITES-relevant the following details:	he CITES is 2, 3 and	Legislation		artly) prmatio	n/unknown		
	Title and date:		S	tatus:				
	Brief description of cor	ief description of contents:						
3	Is enacted legislation a languages of the Conv	Yes No No info	ormatio	n 🗌				
4	If yes, please attach a key legislative provisio		provi		itached viously e, will send			
5	domestic measures ad	ving issues are addressed by any stricter Tick all applicable s adopted for CITES-listed species (in rticle XIV of the Convention)?						
		Th	e conditi	ons for:	The co	mplete	prohibition of:	
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No information	
	Trade	\boxtimes				\square		
	Taking							
	Possession	\boxtimes				\square		
	Transport							
	Other (specify)							

	Additional comments						
	Local regulations provide that the Scientific Authority and the Management Authority shall advise the Minister for the Environment to prohibit the trade (import, export and re-export) and the possession of any species of flora and fauna if in their opinion, or in the opinion of any of them, such trade or possession would endanger the biological identity or any ecosystem or any species of flora and fauna. It also provides that it is the responsibility of the person who is seeking to import or is in possession of any live specimen to obtain the necessary information from the Management Authority.						
	Furthermore, any person who would like to import any specimen of fauna from outside the European Community requires the prior grant of an import licence. Before any such import licence is granting for any live specimen, the CITES Management Authority consults with the Scientific Authority regarding the above.						
6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the Tick all applicable effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?						
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequat e	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 availab	le:					
7	If no review or assessment has	taken place, i	s one	Yes			
	planned for the next reporting planned for the next reporting planned for the next reporting planned planned for the next reporting planned for the next re	period?		No			
	Not applicable			No inf	ormation		
	Please provide details if availab	le:					
8	Has there been any review of le		e following sub	iects in Ti	ck all applicable		
U	relation to implementation of the						
	Subject		Yes	No	No information		
	Access to or ownership of natur	al resources					
	Harvesting						
	Transporting of live specimens						
	Handling and housing of live sp	ecimens		\square			
	Please provide details if availab						
9	Please provide details of any ac		ures taken:				

		Yes	No info	No prmation
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operat	ions been	undertaken	?
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:			
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	\boxtimes		
	Border controls	\boxtimes		
	Other (specify)			
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?			
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of attach details. Details as per attached document	violations?	? If available	e, please
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?			
5	If information available:	1	Number	-
	Significant seizures/confiscations	Detail	s as per att	ached
	Total seizures/confiscations		document	
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details.			
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?			
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If av as Annex.	ailable, pl	ease attach	details
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES- related violations?			
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the as Annex.	e results? P	Please attach	details
10	How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed o	f?	Tick if a	oplicable
	 Return to country of export 			
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 			
	Designated rescue centres			
	 Approved, private facilities Euthanasia 			
	– Other (specify)			
	Comments:			
11	Has detailed information been provided to the Secretaria significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convic illegal traders and persistent offenders?	No ted No		
	Comments:			
12	Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities with other countries (e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support,	No		
	investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?			

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

13	If Yes, please give a brief description:						
	Exchange of intelligence	:					
		CITES Secretariat					
		UK CITES Management Authority (T	rade of tortoises)				
	Technical support:						
		CITES Secretariat					
		CITES Team, HM Revenue and Custo Chinese medicine)	ms (Identification o	f			
	CITES Team, HM Revenue and Customs (Assistance in the disposal of live specimens in rescue centres)						
	EU Commission (Assistance in the disposal of live specimens in rescue centres)						
		Ministry of Environment, Denmark (Assistance in the disposal of live specimens in rescue centres)					
		EAZA Netherlands (Assistance in the disposal of live					
		specimens in rescue centres)					
		AAP Sanctuary (Assistance in the dis in rescue centres)	sposal of live specin	nens			
		in rescue centres)					
14	Have any incentives be	en offered to local communities to	Yes				
	assist in the enforceme	nt of CITES legislation, e.g. leading	No	\boxtimes			
	to the arrest and convid	ction of offenders?	No information				
15	If Yes, please describe:						
16		iew or assessment of CITES-related	Yes				
	enforcement?		No	\bowtie			
			Not applicable				
			No information				
	Comments:						
17	Please provide details c	f any additional measures taken:					

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information			
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes h	ere.			
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated? There is only one CITES Management Authority	Yes No No information			
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead MA in the CITES Directory. Refer to point 3 above				

5	How many staff work in each MA?		
	4 people		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters? If yes, please give estimation-	Yes No No information	
	1 person 100%	Nomormation	
	2 persons 50%		
	1 Assistant Director		
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if appli	icable
	– Administration		\square
	– Biology		
	– Economics/trade		
	– Law/policy		\boxtimes
	 Other (specify) 		\boxtimes
	Information Technology		
	 No information 		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	Yes No No information	
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of th involved.	e kind of research	
10	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the SA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes h	nere.	
3	Is the designated Scientific Authority independent from the	Yes	\square
	Management Authority?	No	
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s)?	Tick if app	licable
	 Government institution 		
	 Academic or research institution 		
	 Permanent committee 		
	 Pool of individuals with certain expertise 		\boxtimes
	– Other (specify)		
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues?		
	Two persons in one SA		

6	CITES-rela	estimate the per ated matters ease give estima	nd on	Yes No No informa	tion		
7	· · ·	0	tise of staff with	nin the SA	(s)?		if applicable
	– Bota	•••••••			(-).		
		logy					\boxtimes
	– Fish	ieries					
	– Fore	estry					
	– Welfare						
	– Zoology						
	– Other (specify)						
	– No information						
8		research activiti CITES species?	e SA(s) in	Yes No No informa	tion		
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved.						earch
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)
	1						
	2						
	3						
	etc.						<u> </u>
						No informa	tion
10	Have any project proposals for scientific research been Yes Image: Constraint of the secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2? Submitted to the Secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2? No Image: Constraint of the secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2? No information Image: Constraint of the secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2? No						
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:						
D3 En	forcement A	Authorities					
							

1	Has the Secretariat been informed of any enforcement authorities that have been designated for the receipt of confidential enforcement information related to CITES?	Yes No No information	
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fa	x and email).	
3	Is there a specialized unit responsible for CITES-related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)? The Inspectorate within the CITES Management Authority	Yes No Under consideration No information	
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforceme The CITES Management Authority, Nature Protection Unit w Environment and Planning Authority		
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

1	To what extent is CITES information computerized?							Tick if applica	ble
	– Monitoring	and rep	porting of	data on	legal	trade			\square
	– Monitoring	and rep	porting of	data on	illegal	trade			\square
	– Permit issu	ance							\boxtimes
	– Not at all								
	– Other (spec	cify)							
2	Do the following a	authori	ties have	access to	the l	Internet	?	Tick if applica	ble
	Authority	Yes, continuous and unrestricted	Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	Some offices only	Not at all		de details whe ropriate	ere
	Management Authority								
	Scientific Authority								
	Enforcement Authority								
3	Is there an electr		formation	system	provid	ling info			\square
	on CITES species	{					No No		
								ormation	
4	If Yes, does it pro	vide in	formation	on:				Tick if applica	ble
	– Legislation		-						\square
	– Conservatio								
	– Other (plea		-		nistrat	ive Pro			
5	Is it available three	ougn tr	ie Interne	et:			Ye: No		
								t applicable	
							No	ormation	
	Please provide UF		w mena c	ora mt			11 11	ormation	
		<u></u>	<u></u> pa.c	<u></u>					
6	Do the authorities indicated have access to the following Tick if applicable publications?						ole		
	Put	olicatior	า			gement nority	Scientific Authority	Enforcemer Authority	
	2003 Checklist of (book)	^c CITES	Species			\square			
	2003 Checklist of Annotated Appen			and		\triangleleft			
	Identification Manual							\square	

D4 Communication	information	management and	exchange
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	CITES Handbook]	\square			
7	If not, what problems have been encour	ntered to acces	ss this info	ormat	ion?			
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the ManagementTick if applicaAuthority on:Tick if applica							
	 Mortality in transport? 							
	– Seizures and confiscations?							
	 Discrepancies in number of items in permits and number of items actually traded? 							
	Comments: The enforcement authority is the CITES Management Authority. Environment Inspectors assist both Customs and Police in the implementation and enforcement of CITES. This means that this type of information is of first hand nature.							
9	Is there a government website with info its requirements?	rmation on CI	TES and	Yes No No i	nformation			
	If Yes, please give the URL: <u>www.mepa</u>	.org.mt						
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in activities to bring about better accessibi understanding of the Convention's require public?	lity to and	U U		Tick if applie	cable		
	 Press releases/conferences 							
	 Newspaper articles, radio/televisio 	on appearance	S					
	 Brochures, leaflets 							
	– Presentations							
	– Displays							
	 Information at border crossing po 	ints						
	 Telephone hotline 							
	– Other (specify):					\boxtimes		
	The CITES Management Authority c provide information to the public or		0					
	Please attach copies of any items.							
11	Please provide details of any additional	measures take	en:					

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit format or the design signatures of officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates been reported previously to If no, please provide details of any:	Yes No Not applicable No information						
	Changes in permit format:							
	Changes in designation or signatures of releva	ant officia	s:	~				
2	To date, has your country developed written per for any of the following?	Tick if applicable	è					
		No information						
	Permit issuance/acceptance							
	Registration of traders	\square						

	Registration of producers							
3	Please indicate how many period? (Note that actual question refers to issued	I trade is repor						
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re- Othe export r			Comments	
	How many documents were issued?	0	9	17 0				
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?	0	1	0		0		
	Year 2 How many documents were issued?	20	19			4		
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?	0	0	0		0		
4	Were any CITES documents that were issued later cancelled and Yes Image: Constraint of the second secon							
5	If Yes, please give the re	asons for this.						
6	Please give the reasons for other countries.	or rejection of C	ITES doo	cume	ents f	rom	Tick if appli	cable
		ason			Yes	No No	No informatio	n
	Technical violations							
	Suspected fraud				<u> </u>			
	Insufficient basis for find				<u> </u>			
	Insufficient basis for find	ng of legal acq	uisition					
7	Other (specify)							
7	Are harvest and/or expor procedure for issuance of		nanagen	ient	1001 1	n the	Yes No	\square
							No information	
	Comments							
8	How many times has the 24 times	Scientific Auth	ority bee	en re	quest	ted to p	rovide opinions?	
9	Has the MA charged fees for permit issuance, registration or Tick if applicable related CITES activities?							cable
	– Issuance of CITES	documents:						\boxtimes
	 Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species: 							
	 Harvesting of CITES-listed species: 							
	 Use of CITES-listed species: 							
	 Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species: 							
	 Importing of CITES 	S-listed species	:					
	 Other (specify): 							
10	If Yes, please provide the Lm5 per application for a							
11	Have revenues from fees CITES or wildlife conserv		the impl	eme	ntatio	on of	Tick if appli	cable

	– Entirely:					
	– Partly:					
	– Not at all:					
	– Not relevant:	\boxtimes				
	Comments:					
12	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:					

D6 Capacity building

1	Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level? No								ble	
	Increased budget for activities			Improvement of national networks						
	Hiring of more staff				ase of [.] pring/e			equipment for ent		
	Development of implementation tools		С	ompi	uteriza	tion				
	– Other (specify)									
2	Have the CITES authorities receive building activities provided by exte					any	of th	e following capacity	,	
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidanc	Ð	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources	?	
	Staff of Management Authority							CITES Team, HM Revenue and Customs		
	Staff of Scientific Authority							EU Commission		
	Staff of enforcement authorities							CITES Managemer Authority, Germar		
	Traders									
	NGOs									
	Public									
	Other (specify)									

3	Have the CITES authorities been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity buildin activities? Yes								
	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								
	Staff of Scientific Authority								
	Staff of enforcement authorities								
	Traders						CITES Management Authority provides the information.		
	NGOs								
	Public	\square							
	Other parties/International meetings								
	Other (specify)								
4	Please provide details of any additi	onal m	easure	s taker	1:				

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee CITES?						e on Yes No No information		
2	If Yes, which ag meet?	gencies	are repre	sented an	d how ofter	n does it			
3	If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the Management Authority to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs, SAs, Customs, police, others):								
		Dail y	Weekly	Monthl y	Annually	None	No informatio n	Other (specify)	
	Meetings								
	Consultations			\square					
4	At the national collaborate with		ave there	been any	efforts to	Tick if applicable Detail			
	Agencies for de	evelopm	nent and t	rade					
	Provincial, state	e or ter	ritorial au	thorities					
	Local authorities or communities								
	Indigenous peoples								
	Trade or other	private	sector as	sociations					
	NGOs								
	Other (specify)								

5	To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements for institutional cooperation related to CITES bee agreed between the Management Authority and the following agencies? No		cable
	Scientific Authority		
	Customs		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Have Government staff participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if appli	cable
	Workshops		\boxtimes
	Meetings		\boxtimes
	Other (specify)		
7	Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to accede to the Convention?	Yes No	
		No information	
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?	. <u></u>	
9	Has technical or financial assistance been provided to another country in relation to CITES?	Yes No	
		No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was prov	/ided?	
11	Has any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES	Yes	
	Identification Manual?	No	\square
		No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		-
13	Have measures been taken to achieve co-ordination and	Yes	
	reduce duplication of activities between the national authorities for CITES and other multilateral environmental	No No information	\square
14	agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related Conventions)? If Yes, please give a brief description.		
14	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		
10	riease provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D8 Areas for future work

1	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	\square					
	Hiring of more staff	\square					
	Development of implementation tools	\square					
	Improvement of national networks	\square					
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement						
	Computerization			\square			
	Other (specify)						
2	Were any difficulties encountered in implementing specific	Yes		\boxtimes			
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the		No				
	Parties?	No info	rmation				
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?						
	Resolution Conf. 13.7 on control of trade in personal and hous		fects.				
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	Yes					
	ansen in your country requiring attention or assistance:	No Information					
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention			 + ic			
5	required.	101 0551					
6	Have any measures, procedures or mechanisms been	Yes		\square			
	identified within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No					
		No info	rmation				
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.			ام ا د د			
	The procedure for the registration of captive operations for Appenefit from review and simplification.	эрепатх т	species of	ouia			
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:

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