A. General information

Party	ALBANIA
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004	1st January 2005 to 31st December 2006
Details of agency preparing this report	Nature Protection Policies Directorate in the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Water Administration of Albania
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Museum of Natural Sciences, Institute of Biological Research and the Botanical Garden of Tirana

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CI been provided under the		_	•	Yes (fu	•		
	Project?	10 011 20 1	· •ationai	Logiciation	Yes (partly) No			
	If yes, ignore question	s 2, 3 and	d 4.			ormatio	n/unknown	
2	If any CITES-relevant I the following details: N	-		-		cted, p	lease provid	le
	Title and date: Draft law planned to start approval procedures during 2007 Status:Drafting of a new law in in process							
	Brief description of contents: The draft-law will ensure the rules and procedures for the international trde on endangered species of wild flora and fauna listed in CITES appendices and also in concordance with the respective REegulation no. 338/07 of the European Union.							
3	Is enacted legislation a	vailable ir	n one of	the working	Yes			
	languages of the Conv	ention?			No			
					No information $oxedsymbol{oxtime}$			
4	If yes, please attach a	copy of the	he full le	gislative text or	r legislation attached			
	key legislative provisio	tive provisions that were gazetted. provided previously						
					not a	vailable	, will send	
					later			
5	Which of the following	j issues ar	e addres	sed by any stric	ter	T	ick all applic	able
	domestic measures ad with Article XIV of the	•		sted species (in	accordan	ce		
		Th	ne condit	ions for:	The co	mplete	prohibition	of:
	Issue	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No informa	ation
				information				
	Trade					\boxtimes		
	Taking							
	Possession							
	Transport							
	Other (specify)							

	Additional comments							
6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of 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				\boxtimes			
	Implementing regulations							
	Coherence within legislation							
	Other (please specify):							
	Please provide details if available	e:						
7	If no review or assessment has for the next reporting period?	·	one planned	Yes No No int	formation			
	Please provide details if available							
8	Has there been any review of le in relation to implementation of	-	_	ojects Ti	ck all applicable			
	Subject		Yes	No	No information			
	Access to or ownership of natu	ral resources						
	Harvesting							
	Transporting of live specimens							
	Handling and housing of live sp	ecimens						
	Please provide details if available	e:						
9	Please provide details of any ad	ditional measu	res taken:					

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No info	No rmation
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring opera	tions been (undertaken?	
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:			
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets			
	Border controls	\boxtimes		
	Other (specify)			\boxtimes
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. N/A	f violations?	If available,	please
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.	11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11.		
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?	***************************************		
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If a as Annex.	vailable, ple	ease attach o	letails
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?			
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were as Annex.	the results?	Please attac	h details
10	How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed	of?	Tick if ap	plicable
	 Return to country of export 		[
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 		[
	Designated rescue centres		[
	Approved, private facilities		[
	– Euthanasia		[
	- Other (specify)			
	Comments: N/A			

Has detailed information been provided to the Secretariat on Yes significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicted	
illegal traders and persistent offenders? Not applicable	
No information	n 🗌
Comments:	
12 Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities with Yes	\boxtimes
other countries No	
(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	n 🗌
13 If Yes, please give a brief description: regional workshops e.g. in Italy to exclinformation and knowledge	ange
14 Have any incentives been offered to local communities to Yes	
assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to	
the arrest and conviction of offenders? No information	n 🖂
15 If Yes, please describe: N/A	
16 Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related Yes	
enforcement? No	
Not applicable	e 🗌
No information	n 🖂
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 information for the MA(s) which are not yet	Yes No	
	reflected in the CITES Directory?	No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes he	ere. N/A	
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated?	Yes No No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identifi	ed as the lead MA	in the

	CITES Directory. N/A		
5	How many staff work in each MA?		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on	Yes	
	CITES-related matters?	No	
	If yes, please give estimation	No information	\boxtimes
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if app	licable
	 Administration 		
	- Biology		\boxtimes
	Economics/trade		
	Law/policy		
	Other (specify)		
	 No information 		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research	Yes	
	activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues	No	
	(e.g. labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	No information	
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the	kind of research	
	involved.		
10	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		
10	i icase provide details of arry 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 he	ere.	
3	Is the designated Scientific Authority independent from the	Yes	\boxtimes
	Management Authority?	No	
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s)?	Tick if app	licable
	 Government institution 		
	Academic or research institution		\boxtimes
	- Permanent committee		
	 Pool of individuals with certain expertise 		
	- Other (specify)		
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? One but p	art-time	

6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend of CITES-related matters					Yes		
						No		
	If yes, ple	ase give estima	tion			No information		
7	What are	the skills/expert	(s)?	Tick	if appl	icable		
	- Botany	•						\boxtimes
	- Ecology	У						\boxtimes
	- Fisherie							
	- Forestr	У						
	- Welfare	е						
	- Zoolog	У						\boxtimes
	- Other (specify)						
	– No info	ormation						
8	-		ies been underta	aken by th	ne SA(s) in	Yes		
	relation to	CITES species	?			No		
						No informa	tion	
9	If Yes, ple involved.	ease give the sp	ecies name and	provide d	etails of the	kind of rese	arch	
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade		her ecify)
	Hairie			lake	traue	traue	(Spe	ciry,
		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1						
	[Please continue on separate sheet, as necessary.] No information							
10			ls for scientific		peen	Yes		
	-		iat under Resolu			No		
						No informa	tion	
11	Please pro	ovide details of a	any additional m	easures t	aken:			

D3 Enforcement 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, fax	and email).	
3	Is there a specialized unit responsible for CITES-related	Yes	
	enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department,	No	
	Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)?	Under consideration	
		No information	
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement Directorate of Customs	nt: Staff within the Gene	eral
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: N/A	A	

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is	Tick if applicable					
	- Monitoring and	report	ing of dat	ta on lega	ıl trad	е	
	- Monitoring and						
	- Permit issuance	е					
	- Not at all						
	- Other (specify)						
2	Do the following a	authorit	ties have	access to	the I	nternet	? Tick if applicable
	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	Please provide details where appropriate
	Management Authority	\boxtimes					
	Scientific Authority		\boxtimes				
	Enforcement Authority			\boxtimes			

3	Is there an electronic information system on CITES species?						
	611 611 E		No				
			No inf	ormation			
4	If Yes, does it provide information on:			Tick if applic	ahla		
4	•	ational\2		пск п аррпс			
	Legislation (national, regional or intern						
	- Conservation status (national, regional, international)?						
	- Other (please specify)?						
5	Is it available through the Internet:		Ye	S	Ц		
			No		Ш		
			No	t applicable			
			No				
			inf	ormation			
	Please provide URL:						
6	Do the authorities indicated have access publications?	to the following		Tick if applica	able		
	Publication	Management	Scientific	Enforceme			
	T delibertion	Authority	Authority	Authorit	У		
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)						
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices (CD-ROM)						
	Identification Manual		\boxtimes				
	CITES Handbook		\boxtimes				
7	If not, what problems have been encoun	tered to access t	his informati	on?			
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to Authority on:	the Managemer	nt	Tick if appli	icable		
	- Mortality in transport?						
	Seizures and confiscations?						
		ormite and numb	or of itoms				
	 Discrepancies in number of items in permits and number of items actually traded? 						
	Comments: N/A as no such cases were r	reported					
9	Is there a government website with infor	mation on CITES	and Yes				
	its requirements?		No				
			No i	nformation	\boxtimes		
	If Yes, please give the URL:						

10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of tactivities to bring about better accessibility to an understanding of the Convention's requirements public?		Tick if applic	cable			
	- Press releases/conferences						
	- Newspaper articles, radio/television appearar	nces					
	- Brochures, leaflets				\boxtimes		
	- Presentations						
	- Displays						
	 Information at border crossing points 						
	 Telephone hotline 						
	- Other (specify)						
	Please attach copies of any items.		•				
11	Please provide details of any additional measures	s taken:					
D5 Pei	mitting and registration procedures						
1	Have any changes in permit format or the design	ation and		Yes			
	signatures of officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates been reported previously to the	as Coorata	rio+2	No			
	permits/certificates been reported previously to ti	ie Secreta	mat:	Not applicable	님		
	If no, please provide details of any:			No information	Ш		
	Changes in permit format:						
	Changes in designation or signatures of re	elevant of	ficials:				
2	To date, has your country developed written permanent	mit proced	ures	Tick if applicable	e		
	for any of the following?			N c			
	Permit issuance/acceptance	Yes 🖂	No	No information	on		
	Registration of traders						
	Registration of producers						

3	Please indicate how many CITES documents were issued and denied in the two year period? (Note that actual trade is reported in the Annual Report by some Parties. This question refers to issued documents).						
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re- export	Other	Comments	
	How many documents were issued?						
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?						
	Year 2						
	How many documents were issued?						
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?						
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4	Were any CITES documer replaced because of serio				ed and	Yes No No information	
5	replaced because of serio	us omissions o			ed and	No	
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9	Has the MA charged fees for permit issuarelated CITES activities?	ance, registration or	Tick if applicable
	 Issuance of CITES documents: 		
	 Licensing or registration of operations species: 	that produce CITES	
	Harvesting of CITES-listed species :Use of CITES-listed species:	님	
	·	Lamadaa	片
	- Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed	i species:	
	 Importing of CITES-listed species: 		님
	- Other (specify):		
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of suc		
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the CITES or wildlife conservation?	ne implementation of	Tick if applicable
	- Entirely:		
	- Partly:		
	- Not at all:		
	Not relevant:		
	Comments:		
12	Please provide details of any additiona	I measures taken:	
D6 Ca _l	pacity building		-
1	Have any of the following activities been effectiveness of CITES implementation as		Tick if applicable
	Increased budget for activities	Improvement of national networks	
	Hiring of more staff	Purchase of technical equipmonitoring/enforcement	oment for
	Development of implementation tools	Computerization	
Ì	- Other (specify)		

2	Have the CITES authorities received or benefited from any of the following capacity building activities provided by external sources?						
	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						
	Staff of Scientific Authority				\boxtimes		TAIEX programme of the European Commission
	Staff of enforcement authorities						
	Traders						
	NGOs						
	Public						
	Other (specify)						
3	Have the CITES authorities been the activities?	e <i>provi</i>	ders of	any of	the	follo	wing capacity building
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	Details
	Target group Staff of Management Authority						
	Staff of Scientific Authority					П	Regional workshops
	Staff of enforcement authorities						
	Traders						
	NGOs						
	Public						
	Other parties/International meetings						
	Other (specify)						
4	Please provide details of any addition	onal me	easures	taken:			

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	In these on into		intor			- OITEC2	Vaa		
1	Is there an inter	r-agenc	y or inter-	sectoral co	mmittee oi) CITES:			
							No		
							No inform	ation	
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet?						t 		
α	If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by Management Authority to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e. MAs, SAs, Customs, police, others):							ər	
		Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Oth (spec	
	Meetings		4						
	Consultations							Accor to the needs	9
4	At the national collaborate with		ave there l	been any ϵ	efforts to	Tick if	applicable	Deta avail	
	Agencies for de	evelopm	ent and to	rade					
	Provincial, state	e or terr	itorial aut	horities					
	Local authoritie	s or co	mmunities	;					
	Indigenous peop	ples							
	Trade or other p	private	sector ass	sociations					
	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 Management Authority and the following agencies?						cable		
	Scientific Author	ority							
	Customs								
<u> </u>	Police								
	Other border au	uthoritie	s (specify	')					
<u> </u> 	Other governme	ent age	ncies						
	Private sector b	odies							
	NGOs								
<u> </u>	Other (specify)								

6	Have Government staff participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if appli	icable
	Workshops		\boxtimes
	Meetings		\boxtimes
	Other (specify)		
7	Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to	Yes	
	accede to the Convention?	No	
		No information	
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has technical or financial assistance been provided to	Yes	
	another country in relation to CITES?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was pr	ovided?	
11	Has any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES	Yes	
	Identification Manual?	No	\boxtimes
		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	
	agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related Conventions)?	No information	
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D8 Areas for future work

1	Are any of the following activities needed to enhance effective implementation at the national level and what is the respective			
	Activity	High	Medium	Low
	Increased budget for activities	\boxtimes		
	Hiring of more staff			
	Development of implementation tools			
	Improvement of national networks			
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement			
	Computerization			
	Other (specify)			

2	Were any difficulties encountered in implementing specific	Yes	
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the	No	\boxtimes
	Parties?	No information	
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?		
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention	Yes	\boxtimes
	arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	No	
		No information	
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention required, very limited number of staff at the MA. More people work for the implementation of the Comnvention		
6	Have any measures, procedures or mechanisms been	Yes	
	identified within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No	
		No information	\boxtimes
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	
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed	
		Not available	\boxtimes
		Not relevant	
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
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	Enclosed	
	produced for educational or public awareness purposes	Not available	
		Not relevant	
	Comments		