

**COVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA**



**POLAND**

**BIENNIAL REPORT**

**2005 – 2006**

**Warsaw, May 2007**

## **PART 1 - CITES QUESTIONS**

Note: Part 1 is composed exclusively of the questions included in the CITES Biennial Report format, approved at the 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES, October 2004.

## A. General information

Party	<i>Poland</i>
Period covered in this report:	<i>1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2006</i>
Details of agency preparing this report:	<i>Ministry of the Environment Department of Forestry, Nature Conservation and Landscape Protection</i>
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals:	<i>Ministry of Finance, General Headquarters of Police, CITES Commission in the State Council for Nature Conservation (CITES SA), The Polish Society for Nature Protection „Salamandra”, The Regional Environmental Center for Central and Eastern Europe (REC), WWF – Poland.</i>

## B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been provided under the CITES National Legislation Project? If yes, ignore questions 2, 3 and 4.	Yes (fully) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes (partly) <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information/unknown <input type="checkbox"/>
2	If your country has planned, drafted or enacted any CITES-relevant legislation, please provide the following details: - <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <span>Title and date: -</span> <span>Status: -</span> </div> Brief description of contents: -	
3	Is enacted legislation available in one of the working languages of the Convention?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
4	If yes, please attach a copy of the full legislative text or key legislative provisions that were gazetted. <i>n/a</i>	legislation attached <input type="checkbox"/> provided previously <input type="checkbox"/> not available, will send later <input type="checkbox"/>
5	Which of the following issues are addressed by any stricter domestic measures that your country has adopted for CITES-listed species (in accordance with Article XIV of the Convention)? <span style="float: right;">Tick all applicable</span>	
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; font-weight: bold; font-size: small;"> <div>The conditions for:</div> <div>The complete prohibition of:</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; font-weight: bold; font-size: x-small;"> <div>Issue</div> <div>Yes</div> <div>No</div> <div>No information</div> <div>Yes</div> <div>No</div> <div>No information</div> </div>	
	Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Taking	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Possession	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Transport	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Additional comments	<p><i>According to national law (Nature Conservation Act of 16th April 2004) holders of live animals including amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals of species covered by EU regulations on wildlife trade (CITES species) are obliged to submit written declaration of possession concerning CITES listed species to appropriate District Authority, in order to register specimens they keep.</i></p> <p><i>Obligation of registration does not apply to Zoological Gardens and persons involved in animal trade, carrying on an economic activity (e.g. owners of pet shops, sellers). The above-mentioned sellers are obliged however to possess documents stating legal origin of an animal they sell and to hand over with an animal, original or copy of aforementioned documents to the buyer (e.g. copy of CITES import permit, permit for acquisition from nature, and in case of birth in captivity – a document issued by district veterinary surgeon, confirming animal birth in captivity, or other document stating legality of origin).</i></p> <p><i>* - Prohibitions referring to harvesting, possessing, transport, sale and purchase apply to all native protected species (including CITES species). Exemption from mentioned prohibitions can be granted only by the Minister of the Environment, who issues certain permission.</i></p>
6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items? <span style="float: right;">Tick all applicable</span>	
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	Powers of CITES authorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Clarity of legal obligations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Control over CITES trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Coverage of law for all types of offences	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>



	Implementing regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Coherence within legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Please provide details if available: * <i>Partly inadequate implementation of CITES provisions following the Conference of the Parties is a result of delay in announcement of new European Commission regulation applying mentioned provisions.</i>				
7	If no review or assessment has taken place, is one planned for the next reporting period?			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Please provide details if available: -				
8	Has there been any review of legislation on the following subjects in relation to implementation of the Convention?			Tick all applicable	
	Subject	Yes	No	No information	
	Access to or ownership of natural resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Harvesting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Transporting of live specimens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Handling and housing of live specimens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Please provide details if available: <i>During the proceedings of the CITES Working Group, issues concerning rules of transports and holding (possession) of live animals of CITES species in relation to their registration were discussed.</i>				
9	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -				

### C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No	No information
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been undertaken?			
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Border controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify): <i>Control of commercial trade (sale offers) in CITES specimens via Internet.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex.			
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	If information available: <input type="checkbox"/> Significant seizures/confiscations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total seizures/confiscations If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details on annex.	Number: - Total: <b>437</b> – Customs Service		
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex.			
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations? <i>See Annex II – C6, C7, C9.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please attach details as Annex.			

10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?	Tick if applicable	
	– Return to country of export		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Public zoos or botanical gardens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Designated rescue centres		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Approved, private facilities		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Euthanasia		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Comments: <i>Dead CITES specimens are also distributed for training purposes to Customs, Police and for educational purposes to universities, schools or museums.</i>		
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed information on significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?	Yes No / partly Not applicable No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Comments: <i>CITES Management Authority of Poland informed the CITES Secretariat about receiving invalid (false) export permit from Guinea (referring to Alert No. 22).</i>		
12	Has your country been involved in cooperative enforcement activities with other countries (e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
13	If Yes, please give a brief description: Co-operation within trainings. <i>On 5 – 11 June 2005 CITES coordinators of several customs chambers visited educational center of Guardia Forestale dello Stato (Italy) in order to exchange views and opinions with Italian colleagues concerning wildlife trade. Mentioned visit was organized with the support of WWF Poland.</i>		
14	Has your country offered any incentives to local communities to assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction of offenders?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
15	If Yes, please describe: <i>Thanks to numerous information campaigns and public awareness building projects on the issue of illegal trade in endangered species of Wild fauna and flora (including those carried out by means of media), our society can become familiar with the current CITES provisions and learn more how to counteract illegal trade in wild fauna and flora.</i>		
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement?	Yes No Not applicable No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Comments: <i>Assessment and compilation of seizures of CITES specimens is prepared by Customs Service and Police. Aforementioned compilations are forwarded to the CITES MA on a regular basis.</i>		
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) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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 designated? n/a	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead MA in the CITES Directory.		
5	How many staff work in each MA? <i>In Poland there is only one CITES Management Authority, which consists of 5 persons: Minister of the Environment and 3 persons from CITES Team with their superior.</i>		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related matters? If yes, please give estimation: 75 %	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if applicable	
	– Administration		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Biology		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Economics/trade		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Law/policy		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify) – Environment Protection		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– No information		<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labeling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved. <i>In 2006 the expertise on Synergy between the Convention on International Trade In Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) and the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in Poland was carried out. Moreover, in 2005 – 2006 the following projects concerning native CITES species were carried out:</i> - project on restoration and conservation of <i>Falco peregrinus</i> , <i>Falco tinnunculus</i> and <i>Tyto alba</i> , - reintroduction of <i>Bubo Bubo</i> in Woliński National Park, <i>Parnassius apollo</i> in Pieniny National Park and <i>Otis tarda</i> in Wielkopolska province. - monitoring of distribution and number of <i>Canis lupus</i> and <i>Lynx lynx</i> . <i>Moreover, studies on preparation of several National Species Management Programs have been launched, in relation to the following CITES native species: Cyprypedium calceolus, Phocoena phocoena and Lutra lutra.</i>		
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) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here. -		
3	Has your country designated a Scientific Authority independent from the Management Authority?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
4	What is the structure of the SA(s) in your country?	Tick if applicable	
	– Government institution		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Academic or research institution		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Permanent committee		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Pool of individuals with certain expertise		<input type="checkbox"/>

	– Other: <span style="float: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span> <i>The State Council for Nature Conservation (body providing opinion and counseling for the Minister of the Environment) is the CITES Scientific Authority in Poland. The CITES Commission (existing within above mentioned Council) deals directly with CITES issues.</i>																																										
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? <i>The CITES Commission consists of 4 persons who work on a voluntary basis.</i>																																										
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8	Have any research activities been undertaken by the SA(s) in relation to CITES species? <div style="float: right;">           Yes <input type="checkbox"/>            No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>            No information <input type="checkbox"/> </div>																																										
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### 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 CITES?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email).	
3	Has your country established a specialized unit responsible for CITES-related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)? <i>In the General Headquarters of Police the Environmental Crime Unit, dealing among the others with illegal trade in CITES species, was established. The Unit's main role is to coordinate and monitor activities of local and regional Police units concerning crimes against wildlife.</i>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Under consideration <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement: <i>Among Enforcement Authorities there is no leading and superior institution.</i>	
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: <i>Enforcement Authorities more often, than in previous years, monitor and control wildlife trade on internal markets, for example by inspections of pet-shops, animal fairs as well as monitoring of sales of CITES specimens in Internet. According to General Headquarters of Police, in the period of 2005 – 2006 there was an increase in detectability of crimes referring to trade in wild fauna and flora, in comparison with previous years (in 2006 Police detected 231 crimes, while in 2005 114).</i>	

### D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is CITES information in your country computerized? Tick if applicable						
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monitoring and reporting of data on illegal trade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permit issuance <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)						
2	Do the following authorities have access to the Internet? Tick if applicable						
	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	Please provide details where appropriate
	Management Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Scientific Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Members of the SA have the access to Internet in offices of Institutions where they are employed or they make use of their private access.</i>
	Enforcement Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Not all of enforcement officers have access to Internet.</i>
3	Do you have an electronic information system providing information on CITES species? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>						

4	<p>If Yes, does it provide information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Legislation (national, regional or international)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> <li>– Conservation status (national, regional, international)? <input type="checkbox"/></li> <li>– Other (please specify)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> <p><i>Management Authority of Poland runs an Internet Website devoted to CITES issues, which includes list of CITES species, information on existing CITES and related EU provisions and additional information materials and explanations.</i></p> <p><i>Moreover, on internet websites of Customs chambers and Police units one can find basic information on CITES and relevant seizures and confiscations.</i></p> <p><i>NGOs such as WWF Poland, Polish Society for Nature Protection "Salamandra" and Regional Environmental Center (REC) also provide important information on CITES matters and current projects concerning Washington Convention, as well as booklets, guides and manuals for identification.</i></p>	Tick if applicable																				
5	<p>Is it available through the Internet:</p> <p><i>Above mentioned information are available on the following websites:</i></p> <p><i>CITES MA website:</i>  <a href="http://www.mos.gov.pl/cites-ma">www.mos.gov.pl/cites-ma</a></p> <p><i>Customs website:</i>  <a href="http://www.mf.gov.pl/dokument.php?const=2&amp;dzial=529&amp;id=47114">www.mf.gov.pl/dokument.php?const=2&amp;dzial=529&amp;id=47114</a></p> <p><i>Websites of organizations dealing with CITES issues:</i>  <a href="http://www.wwf.pl/projekty/cites.php">http://www.wwf.pl/projekty/cites.php</a>  <a href="http://www.salamandra.org.pl/cites/index.php">http://www.salamandra.org.pl/cites/index.php</a>  <a href="http://www.rec.org.pl/cites/index.htm">http://www.rec.org.pl/cites/index.htm</a></p> <p>Please provide URL:</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>																				
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7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access to the mentioned information? -																					
8	<p>Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authority on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mortality in transport? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> <li>– Seizures and confiscations? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> <li>– Discrepancy in number of items in permit and number of items actually traded? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> <p><i>Comments: In the period of 2005-2006 there were no reports on cases of animal deaths during import or (re)export.</i></p>	Tick if applicable																				
9	<p>Is there a government website with information on CITES and its requirements?</p> <p><i>The government website was described above in p. 4.</i></p> <p>If Yes, please give the URL: <a href="http://www.mos.gov.pl/cites-ma">www.mos.gov.pl/cites-ma</a></p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>																				
10	<p>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?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Press releases/conferences <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul>	Tick if applicable																				



	– Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Brochures, leaflets	<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Presentations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Displays	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Information at border crossing points	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Telephone hotline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Please attach copies of any items as Annex: <i>See Annex D4 – 10</i>		
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: <i>Essential contribution to capacity building and propagation of CITES in Poland (information campaigns, workshops, brochures, posters) is made by the following organizations: WWF Poland, Polish Society for Nature Protection "Salamandra", Regional Environmental Center (REC).</i>	

#### D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit format or the designation and signatures of officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates been reported previously to the Secretariat?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If no, please provide details of any:		
	Changes in permit format: -		
	Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials: -		
2	To date, has your country developed written permit procedures for any of the following?	Tick if applicable	
		Yes	No
		No information	
	Permit issuance/acceptance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Registration of traders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Registration of producers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 – 2005	Import or introduction from the sea	Export
		Re-export	Other*
	How many documents were issued?	224	10
		11	55
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis-information?	-	-
		-	-
	Year 2 – 2006	Import or introduction from the sea	Export
		Re-export	Other*
	How many documents were issued?	278	11
		9	19
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis-information?	1	-
		-	-
4	Were any CITES documents that were issued later cancelled and replaced because of severe omissions or mis-information?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	If Yes, please give the reasons for this.		



6	Please give the reasons for rejection of CITES documents from other countries.			Tick if applicable	
	Reason	Yes	No	No information	
	Technical violations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Suspected fraud	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Insufficient basis for finding of non-detriment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Insufficient basis for finding of legal acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7	Are harvest and/or export quotas as a management tool in the procedure for issuance of permits?			Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
				No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comments: <i>Wild specimens of native CITES species in Poland are not generally exploited for purposes of international trade.</i>				
8	How many times has the Scientific Authority been requested to provide opinions? <i>CITES Scientific Authority of Poland was asked for its opinion 45 times in the period of 2005 – 2006.</i>				
9	Has the Management Authority charged fees for permit issuance, registration or related CITES activities?			Tick if applicable	
	– Issuance of CITES documents:				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Harvesting of CITES-listed species				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Use of CITES-listed species:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Importing of CITES-listed species:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify):				<input type="checkbox"/>
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees: <i>Fee for the issuance of CITES import, (re-)export permit was: 100 PLN (26 EUR).</i> <i>Fee for the issuance of Certificate acc. to Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97 was: 11 PLN (3 EUR).</i> <i>Budgetary and government units, including zoological, botanical gardens and scientific institutions are exempted from mentioned fees.</i>				
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation?			Tick if applicable	
	– Entirely:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Partly:				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Not at all:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Not relevant:				<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comments: <i>Money obtained from above mentioned fees is allocated for national budget and is not directly transferred for CITES related activities, however, it is partly used for nature protection purposes in accordance with the current budget scheme.</i>				
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?		Tick if applicable	
	Increased budget for activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Improvement of national networks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Hiring of more staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase of technical equipment for monitoring/enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Development of implementation tools	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Computerisation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

– Other (specify): <span style="float: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span> <i>In the period covered with this report, many trainings and workshops, especially for enforcement authorities were carried out. See Annex III – D6-1.</i>						
2	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>recipient</i> of any of the following capacity building activities provided by external sources?					
Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.		Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)
Target group						What were the external sources?
Staff of Management Authority		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff of Scientific Authority		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff of enforcement authorities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						<i>From 5 to 11 June 2005 Polish Customs officers visited the educational center of Guardia Forestale dello Stato in Italy in order to exchange views and experience (visit was organized with support of WWF Poland)</i>
Traders		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NGOs		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.		Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)
Target group						Details <i>See Annex III – D6-1</i>
Staff of Management Authority		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff of Scientific Authority		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff of enforcement authorities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Traders		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NGOs		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other parties/International meetings		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Please provide details of any additional measures taken					



**D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives**

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																								
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>																								
			No information	<input type="checkbox"/>																								
2	<p>If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet?</p> <p><i>The CITES Working Group, which consists of representatives of Management Authority (as observers), Scientific Authority, Ministry of Finance, Customs Service, Police, Veterinary Inspection and NGOs: WWF Poland, "Salamandra", REC, Polish Society for the Protection of Animals (TOZ) and representatives of Zoological Gardens and prosecutors. Group meetings are organized several times a year.</i></p> <p><i>Furthermore, there were started preparations concerning establishing of a new working group which would be consisting only of representatives of governmental administration, in order to assure better cooperation in implementing CITES regulations.</i></p>																											
3	<p>If No, please indicate 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):</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Daily</th> <th>Weekly</th> <th>Monthly</th> <th>Annually</th> <th>None</th> <th>No information</th> <th>Other (specify)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Meetings</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Consultations</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><i>Apart from CITES Working Group meetings, MA consults current matters with Police, Customs, Veterinary Inspection and SA.</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>					Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Other (specify)	Meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Consultations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Apart from CITES Working Group meetings, MA consults current matters with Police, Customs, Veterinary Inspection and SA.</i>
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4	At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:		Tick if applicable	Details if available																								
	Agencies for development and trade		<input type="checkbox"/>																									
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Cooperation with Regional Authorities in the field of registration of CITES animals.</i>																								
	Local authorities or communities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Cooperation with Police and Prosecutors in relation to investigations which are carried out.</i>																								
	Indigenous peoples		<input type="checkbox"/>																									
	Trade or other private sector associations		<input type="checkbox"/>																									
	NGOs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																									
	Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>																									



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 applicable
	SA		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Customs		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Police		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other border authorities (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other government agencies		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Private sector bodies		<input type="checkbox"/>
	NGOs		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Has your country participated in any regional activities related to CITES?		Tick if applicable
	Workshops		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Meetings		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify): <i>Participation in regular meetings of the Committee on Trade In Wild Fauna and Flora within the European Commission.</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Has your country encouraged any non-Party to accede to the Convention?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way? -		
9	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to another country in relation to CITES?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provided? -		
11	Has your country provided any data for inclusion in the CITES Identification Manual?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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 for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related Conventions)?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
14	If Yes, please give a brief description. <i>Issues regarding CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements are dealt by the same institution (Ministry of the Environment). It ensures coordination of actions and excludes the possibility of their unnecessary duplication.</i>		
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -		

# 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hiring of more staff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Development of implementation tools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Improvement of national networks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Computerisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?			
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is required. -			
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
7	If Yes, please give a brief description: <i>Taking into consideration the effective implementation of CITES provisions and verification of documents it would be advisable to create confidential database gathering examples and patterns of permits and certificates being used by the Parties.</i>			
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	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
C9	Details of violations and results of court actions	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
D4 (10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES produced for educational or public awareness purposes,  Comments: -	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>





## **Annex I – C5:**

*According to data provided by the Ministry of Finance, in 2005 Polish Customs Service made 206 seizures of CITES specimens, which included 1005 live animals, over 1100 specimens of plants, 30 liters of *Prunus africana* extract, 6900 spines of *Hystrix cristata*, approximately 160 kg of caviar (*Acipenseriformes* spp.) and 4230 specimens of TAM.*

*In 2006 Customs Service made 231 seizures, including 2015 live animals, 557 live *Cactaceae* spp., approximately 108 kg of caviar and 2662 specimens of TAM.*

*Compilation of chosen seizures carried out in 2005 by the Customs (divided in groups of specimens):*

- Mammalia – 21*
- Aves – 15*
- Reptilia – 64*
- Pisces – 20*
- Gastropoda – 44*
- Bivalvia – 22*
- Anthozoa – 40*

*Compilation of chosen seizures carried out in 2006 by the Customs (divided in groups of specimens):*

- Mammalia – 21*
- Aves – 4*
- Reptilia – 51*
- Pisces – 26*
- Bivalvia – 20*
- Anthozoa – 75*

## **Annex II – C6, C7, C9:**

*Violations of CITES provisions (included in national and EU law) results in sanctions such as penalty of detention or fine (for offences) and sentence of imprisonment from 3 months up to 5 years (for crimes).*

*In accordance with Nature Conservation Act of 16 April 2004 the following actions are considered as offences:*

- not declaring the keeping of live, reptiles, birds and mammals of species covered by EU regulations on wildlife trade (CITES species) to the register,*
- not possessing and not providing to the buyer documents referring to legal origin of the animal which is being sold (this obligation applies to sellers and other persons carrying on an economic activity related to wildlife trade).*

*According to mentioned Act the following actions are considered as crimes:*

- transporting and border-crossing of CITES specimens without necessary permit,*
- not presenting the import notification at the border customs office (obligation concerns Annex C and D specimens),*
- using specimens of CITES species for the purposes different then those indicated in the import permit,*
- carrying out commercial activities concerning CITES specimens without appropriate documents stating their legal acquisition and origin.*

*The most frequent crime related to endangered species of fauna and flora is border-crossing of CITES specimens without necessary permits and offering CITES specimens for sale without sufficient documents stating their legal origin.*

*Sentences in majority of court cases imposed fines and forfeiture of seized specimens. After stating forfeiture, specimens become property of the State Treasury.*

*So far the most severe penalty of imprisonment (from 3 months up to 5 years) has only been imposed by courts with suspension status. In few cases courts have also imposed obligation of work for some period of time for the public purposes.*

*Furthermore, people who were convicted (penalized) for the infringement of provisions regarding wildlife trade can be refused by CITES Management Authority to obtain a CITES permit within the period of 3 years from the date of conviction (art. 61 p. 7 of Nature Conservation Act of 16 April 2004).*

*According to information provided by the General Police Headquarters, in year 2005 Police began 244 operational proceedings concerning suspicions of crimes consisted in infringement of CITES law. In 2006 the number of detected crimes increased up to 433.*



### **Annex III – D6-1**

#### **Capacity building activities**

##### Customs Service and Police (Enforcement authorities):

*In October 2005 CITES coordinators from Polish Customs Service took part in training on identification of species of protected insects and preparation of DNA samples. Apart from that, Customs Service organized in 2005 three trainings on central level for CITES coordinators In Police forces. Moreover in 2005, within the Customs, 49 trainings on the local level were carried out. According to approximate data 1274 customs officers participated in those trainings. In the year of 2006 the Customs organized 53 training seminars on the local level for more than 1000 customs officers.*

*Through 2005 and 2006 Customs officers were the initiators of numerous seminars, lectures and information meetings for pupils of primary and secondary schools, as well as for students of high schools and universities.*

*In 2006, thanks to efforts of WWF Poland, General Police Headquarters and Customs Service two workshops for CITES coordinators from regional units of Police and from Customs Chambers were organized.*

*Many times, Customs and Police officers were informing public opinion by media on CITES issues and seizures which were made (press, radio and TV interviews).*

##### Management Authority and Scientific Authority:

*Representatives of Management and Scientific Authority participated as observers and lecturers in several trainings organized for Customs and Police officers.*

*Moreover, representatives of Management Authority informed the society on relevant CITES matters and provisions (many interviews for radio and TV programs).*

##### Organizations acting for CITES In Poland:

*In the reporting period WWF Poland organized several projects aimed at implementation of CITES in Poland, including numerous trainings and workshops for enforcement authorities (CITES coordinators in Customs and Police). Prosecutors and representatives of local authorities responsible for registration of CITES animals were also invited to participate in mentioned activities. WWF Poland co-organized a visit of Polish Customs officers in Guardia Forestale dello Stato educational center.*

*Furthermore, WWF Poland actively took part in awareness building activities on issue of illegal trade in CITES species by arranging information campaigns (e.g. distribution of leaflets and brochures to public), as well as assisting in installation of exhibitions for tourists, presented confiscated CITES specimens at 3 international airports in Wrocław, Gdańsk and Poznań.*

*During initiative called „ECCO Walkathon” organized in 2006, WWF collected money for professional equipment used for transport and care of seized and confiscated CITES animals. WWF Poland prepared and distributed to Customs and Police units the Polish version of “Hunting trophies manual” and “Turtles and tortoises manual”(printed in 1500 copies each) and prepared the report evaluating illegal trade in tortoises in Poland.*

*In 2005 Regional Environmental Center (REC) organized 3 workshops for representatives of institutions involved in enforcement and implementation of CITES provisions and protection of endangered species, including public prosecutors, judges and veterinary inspection. REC also elaborated guidebooks regarding existing CITES provisions and their implementation, for judges, prosecutors, customs and police.*

*In 2006 the Polish Society for Nature Protection „Salamandra” carried out numerous campaigns promoting the ideas of CITES and increasing awareness of society in the respect of wildlife trade, such as:*

- „Don't buy endangered species” – campaign concerning purchase and transport restrictions referring to souvenirs made of CITES species. International project aimed at tourists of Poland, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia and Serbia.*
- „Help to save endangered species” – awareness campaign for children.*

*Moreover, „Salamandra” continued monitoring of illegal trade in endangered species in the Internet.*

**Annex D4 – 10**  
**Information materials, leaflets, brochures**



