

PART 1 - CITES QUESTIONS

A. General information

Party	SLOVENIA
Period covered in this report:	1 January 2007 to 31 December 2008
Details of agency preparing this report	Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning Dunajska 48, SI-1000 Ljubljana
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia Vojkova 1b, SI-1000 Ljubljana Institute of the Republic of Slovenia for Nature Conservation Dunajska 22, SI-1000 Ljubljana Customs Administration of the Republic of Slovenia General Customs Directorate Šmartinska 55, SI-1523 Ljubljana Inspectorate of the Republic of Slovenia for the Environment and Spatial Planning Dunajska 47, SI-1000 Ljubljana General Police Directorate Criminal Police Directorate Štefanova 2, SI-1501 LJUBLJANA

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:	
	Title and date: <i>Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species</i>	Status: <i>Adopted on 3th April 2008, (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 39/2008)</i>
	Title and date: <i>The criminal code</i>	Status: <i>Adopted on 20 May 2008, (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 55/2008)</i>

Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coherence within legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Please provide details if available: Studies on the effectiveness of implementation and enforcement of CITES and the EU Wildlife Trade Regulation carried out during the reporting period: - Ó Críodáin, C. (2007). <i>Study on the Effectiveness of the EC Wildlife Trade Regulations</i> . A TRAFFIC Europe report for the European Commission, Brussels, Belgium. http://ec.europa.eu/environment/cites/pdf/effectiveness.pdf				
7	If no review or assessment has taken place, is one planned for the next reporting period?		Yes No No information	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Harvesting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Transporting of live specimens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Handling and housing of live specimens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Please provide details if available:				
9	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: Several reports and studies related to the implementation of CITES and certain CITES listed species have been carried out during the reporting period: Engler, M & Knapp, A. (2008). <i>Briefing on the evolution of the caviar trade and range State implementation of Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP14)</i> . A TRAFFIC Europe Report for the European Commission, Brussels, Belgium. http://ec.europa.eu/environment/cites/pdf/reports/caviar.pdf Knapp, A. (2008). <i>An Assessment of caviar labelling and licensing provisions in the European Union</i> . A TRAFFIC Europe Report for the European Commission, Brussels, Belgium. http://ec.europa.eu/environment/cites/pdf/studies/caviar_labelling.pdf UNEP-WCMC (2008) Analysis of the European community, accession and candidate countries' annual reports to CITES 2006 - A confidential report to the European Commission, UNEP-WCMC Cambridge, UK UNEP-WCMC (2009). Analysis of European Community and candidate countries' annual reports to CITES 2007. A Confidential Report to the European Commission. UNEP-WCMC, Cambridge.			

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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)	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex. ANNEX II			
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 checked="" 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. ANNEX III (significant cases)	Number <input type="checkbox"/> 2007: 18 total (3 significant cases) 2008: 18 total (5 significant cases)		
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex. ANNEX IV (Criminal complaints)			
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Euthanasia			<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	a) destruction due to human health hazards (mussels)			
	b) parts and derivatives:			
	- by keeping them by MA for educational or research purposes,			
	- by giving them to other enforcement authorities for educational or public awareness purposes)			

	<p>Comments:</p> <p>Live animals are placed in rescue centre for temporary care and treatment for a period between seizure and final confiscation. Where live tortoises have been seized, they have been successfully transferred to a captive facility (public zoo and private person) for non-commercial purposes.</p> <p>In most cases dead specimens (parts or derivatives) were seized. Such specimens were temporarily stored by Customs. After the case is concluded, the goods can be used by the Management Authority for public information (exhibitions etc.) or educational purposes (training of enforcement officials).</p>		
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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>	
	<p>Comments:</p>		
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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>	
13	<p>If Yes, please give a brief description:</p> <p>Enforcement authorities followed alerts posted at the EU-TWIX network and have intensified their surveillance when needed.</p>		
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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>	
15	<p>If Yes, please describe:</p>		
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>	
	<p>Ó Críodáin, C. (2007). <i>Study on the Effectiveness of the EC Wildlife Trade Regulations</i>. A TRAFFIC Europe report for the European Commission, Brussels, Belgium. http://ec.europa.eu/environment/cites/pdf/effectiveness.pdf</p>		
	<p>Comments:</p>		
17	<p>Please provide details of any additional measures taken:</p>		

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here. Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning Dunajska c. 48 P.O. Box 653 SI-1000 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 478 74 00 Fax: +386 (1) 478 74 22 Email: gp.mop@gov.si Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia Vojkova 1b SI-1000 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 280 40 01 Fax: +386 (1) 280 40 25 Email: cites.arso@gov.si , gp.arso@gov.si		
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated?	Yes No No information	<input checked="" 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. Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning Dunajska cesta 48 P.O. Box 653 SI-1000 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 478 74 00 Fax: +386 (1) 478 74 22 Email: gp.mop@gov.si Lead MA – does not issue CITES documents.		
5	How many staff work in each MA? 1 person at the Ministry of the Environment and Spatial Planning 3 persons at the Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related matters? If yes, please give estimation 1 person at the Ministry of the Environment and Physical Planning: app. 60% 3 persons at the Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia: app. 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 type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	<p>1. PhD in Nature Heritage Protection</p> <p>2. Biology - Ecology and Systematics (Master Degree)</p> <p>– No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>
8	<p>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)?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>
9	<p>If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved.</p> <p><u>Species:</u> <i>Ursus arctos</i> <u>Project title:</u> Analiza medvedov, odvzetih iz narave in genetsko – molekularne raziskave populacije medveda v Sloveniji (Investigation of bears removed from nature and molecular genetics research of the Slovenian population) <u>Project duration:</u> 29. 5. 2007 – 31. 10. 2008 <u>Objectives:</u> Estimation of the size of the brown bear population and analysis of the contents of the brown bear digestive apparatus</p> <p><u>Species:</u> <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> <u>Project:</u> Monitoring of population of <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> in Slovenian and adjacent waters <u>Project duration:</u> ongoing <u>Objectives:</u> Estimation of the size of the population, fotoidentification and gathering of basic information on their ecology.</p> <p><u>Species:</u> CITES listed animals <u>Project title:</u> Rescue centre for wild animals <u>Project duration:</u> 5-year contract, currently 2006 - 2011 <u>Objectives:</u> Rescue centre for temporary care of seized and confiscated animals due to illegal keeping in captivity, illegal trade, export or import or other reasons specified by law is provided by a contract with the Management Authority.</p> <p><u>Species:</u> <i>Aquila pomarina</i>, <i>Otus scops</i>, <i>Strix uralensis</i>, <i>Aquila pomarina</i> <u>Project title:</u> Monitoring of selected bird species populations in special protected areas (SPA) <u>Project duration:</u> Ongoing, different species are selected each year to be included in the monitoring. Selected species were monitored in 2007 or/and 2008. <u>Objectives:</u> Establishment of uniform methodology and parameters for monitoring of selected species, and selection of permanent survey transects, points and areas http://www.natura2000.gov.si/uploads/tx_library/Monitoring_ptic_2007-II.pdf</p> <p><u>Species:</u> <i>Gyps fulvus</i> and other birds of prey <u>Project title:</u> Monitoring of selected bird species populations <u>Project duration:</u> 14.8. – 11.9. 2008 <u>Objectives:</u> Monitoring of selected bird species populations http://www.natura2000.gov.si/uploads/tx_library/Drugo_vmesno_porocilo_2009.pdf</p>
10	<p>Please provide details of any additional measures taken</p>

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here. New contacts for the SA are: Institute of the Republic of Slovenia for Nature Conservation Dunajska cesta 22, P.O. Box 2572 SI-1000 Ljubljana Tel: +386 1 230 95 00 Fax: +386 1 230 95 40 e-mail: zrsvn.oe@zrsvn.si		
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Academic or research institution		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Permanent committee		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Pool of individuals with certain expertise		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? 2		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related matters? If yes, please give estimation In the years 2007-2008 we used 2400 working hours for tasks related to CITES (non-detrimental findings, controlling breeding operations, species determination etc.)	Yes No No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)?	Tick if applicable	
	– Botany		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Ecology		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Fisheries		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Forestry		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Welfare		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Zoology		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– No information		<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Have any research activities been undertaken by the SA(s) in relation to CITES species?	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.						
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)
	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	X	X	by catch			public awareness
	2						
	3						
	etc.						
						No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Have any project proposals for scientific research been submitted to the Secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2?					Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
						No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
						No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:						

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	<p>If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email).</p> <p>There were some changes in the contact information for the enforcement authorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Customs Administration of Slovenia General Customs Directorate Šmartinska c. 55 SI-1523 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 478 3800 Fax: +386 (1) 478 3900 Email: gcu.carina@gov.si 2. Ministry of Interior – Police General Police Directorate Criminal Police Directorate Štefanova 2 SI-1501 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 428 4000 Fax: +386 (1) 428 4733 Email: gp.policija@policija.si 3. Inspectorate of the Republic of Slovenia for Environment and Spatial Planning Dunajska c. 47 SI-1000 LJUBLJANA Tel: +386 (1) 420 4488 Fax: +386 (1) 420 4491 Email: gp.irsop@gov.si 	
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)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No <input type="checkbox"/>
		Under consideration <input type="checkbox"/>
		No information <input type="checkbox"/>
4	<p>If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement:</p> <p>Regarding CITES, the Management Authority is lead co-ordinating agency. It leads the activities of the "Inter-sectoral Committee for the Prevention of Illegal Wildlife Trade" (see D7/2).</p>	
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:	

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is CITES information in your country computerized?	Tick if applicable
	– Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Monitoring and reporting of data on illegal trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Permit issuance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Not at all	<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<p>Registration of marking of wild animals kept in captivity is fully computerised. The MA's computer application on marking also allows control of supply of marks</p>	

	<p>and suppliers of marks and issuance of certificates on marking.</p> <p>Slovenia is in the process of developing an information system including different databases: Register of marked animals, CITES database, Register of endangered and protected species.</p> <p>The most recent, Register of endangered and protected species (REPS) contain the information on species names, higher taxa, legal status, administrative and legal measures. Database will include all species, protected by national legislation, ratified international agreements and common EU legislation. REPS Database is accessible to public on the web-site http://sirena.arso.gov.si/reza/, it has been also introduced to enforcement bodies.</p>						
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Enforcement Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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	If Yes, does it provide information on:					Tick if applicable	
	– Legislation (national, regional or international)?					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	– Conservation status (national, regional, international)?					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	– Other (please specify)?					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Application forms for CITES documents, fees, registration of CITES specimens etc.						
5	Is it available through the Internet:						Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
	Please provide URL:						
	http://zakonodaja.gov.si/						
	https://sirena.arso.gov.si/reza/						
	http://www.arso.gov.si/						
	http://www.mop.gov.si/en/						
6	Do the following authorities have access to the following publications?					Tick if applicable	
	Publication	Management Authority	Scientific Authority	Enforcement Authority			
	<i>2003 Checklist of CITES Species</i> (book)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	<i>2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices</i> (CD-ROM)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

	<i>Identification Manual</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<i>CITES Handbook</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access to the mentioned information?			
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authority on:	Tick if applicable		
	– Mortality in transport?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	– Seizures and confiscations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	– Discrepancy in number of items in permit and number of items actually traded?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Comments:			
9	Is there a government website with information on CITES and its requirements?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	If Yes, please give the URL:			
	http://www.arso.gov.si/narava/konvencija%20CITES/			
	http://www.arso.gov.si/narava/poro%c4%8dila%20in%20publikacije/			
	http://www.arso.gov.si/narava/vpra%c5%a1anja%20in%20odgovori/			
	http://www.arso.gov.si/en/nature/reports%20and%20publications/			
	http://www.mop.gov.si/si/delovna_podrocja/direktorat_za_okolje/sektor_za_o_hranjanje_narave/			
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following activities to bring about better accessibility to and understanding of the Convention's requirements to the wider public?	Tick if applicable		
	– Press releases/conferences	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	– Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	– Brochures, leaflets	<input checked="" 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) e-mail hotline (cites.arso@gov.si)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Please attach copies of any items as Annex.			
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:			
	<p>In 2007 and 2008 the Management Authority carried out a number of presentations for different target groups (school children, students, associations etc.). A representative of the Management Authority regularly gives lessons to Students of Masters degree programme »Nature Heritage Protection« at the University of Ljubljana. Representatives of the Slovenian Management authorities gave two lectures at the Museum of Natural History on the International trade in endangered animal and plant species, and have had a presentation at the Slovenian Chamber of Commerce for the pet shops and wildlife traders.</p> <p>During the reporting period, Slovenian Customs carried out a considerable public awareness events including exhibitions of seized and confiscated specimens, educational events for scholars and interested public. Information of seizures were published in all main national newspapers, articles and TV and radio broadcasts were performed.</p> <p>In November 2008 Management Authority provided educational material including four thematic leaflets on the most popular exotic wildlife companion animals: tortoises, iguanas and parrots. The publicity material was distributed in 2008 to Slovenian schools and museums.</p> <p>A CD-ROM that includes information on all public awareness material issued in Slovenia, relevant EU and national legislation was upgraded.</p>			

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 type="checkbox"/>			
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
		Not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>			
If no, please provide details of any:						
Changes in permit format: Slovenia uses European Union CITES permit/certificate forms as specified by the Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006. Format and content of Annexes to CITES permits and certificates are prescribed in Article 21, Annex 4, of the Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08).						
The sample versions of documents/permits are enclosed to this report.						
Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials: The updated document with names of the officials empowered to sign permits/certificates is enclosed to this report.						
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Registration of traders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Registration of producers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 2007	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re-export	Other	Comments
	How many documents were issued?	122	10	32	10	Other refer to Personal ownership certificates
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis-information?	-	-	-	-	
	Year 2008	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re-export	Other	Comments
	How many documents were issued?	149	17	34	10	Other refer to Personal ownership certificates
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis-information?	-	-	-	-	
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 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	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

	issuance of permits? Comments Hunting quotas for certain species (e.g. <i>Ursus arctos</i>) are considered in the procedure for issuance of an export permits.	No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
8	How many times has the Scientific Authority been requested to provide opinions? 1. The Management Authority asks for scientific opinion for all applications of import of Annexes A and B species or export of Annexes A, B and C species, up to 50 opinions per year. In case of the imports of skins (SKI) and small leather products (LPS) of some App II/Annex B listed reptiles (<i>Alligator mississippiensis</i> , <i>Caiman crocodilus fuscus</i> , <i>Varanus niloticus</i> , <i>V. salvator</i>) from Switzerland, a general opinion has been provided in accordance with Article 4 par. 2 (a) of the Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97. Every year, the Scientific Authority also provides the opinion for the export of live tortoises (<i>Testudo hermanni</i> , <i>Testudo graeca</i> , <i>Malacochersus tornieri</i> , <i>Geochelone elegans</i>) born and bred in captivity in Slovenia by the registered breeding operations which are regularly checked by the Scientific Authority and competent inspectors. The opinion is based on the breeding success and it defines the maximum number of animals allowed to be used for commercial purposes for the current year. On the basis of any additional information, the opinion can be changed anytime and it is fully respected by the Management Authority when issuing the CITES documents. 2. In case of seizures Scientific Authority could give opinion on species determination, up to 25 opinions per year.	
9	Has the Management Authority charged fees for permit issuance, registration or related CITES activities? – Issuance of CITES documents: – 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-listed species: – Other (specify): EU internal trade certificate	Tick if applicable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees. Fees for permits, registration or related CITES activities amount to 17, 73 EURO per application.	
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation? – Entirely: – Partly: – Not at all: – Not relevant: Comments: The revenues from fees are transmitted to core State budget. Wildlife conservation is mainly financed through core State budget.	Tick if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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"/>
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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>Since 2002, a special inter-sectoral Committee for the Prevention of Illegal Wildlife Trade has been operating in Slovenia. It was established by a decision of the ministers for the environment and spatial planning, for internal affairs and for finance, pursuant to Article 49 of the <i>Public Administration Act</i> (Official Gazette of RS Nrs. 67/94, 20/95, 29/95, 80/99, 52/02, 56/02). The Committee consists of permanent members from the Criminal Police Directorate (Interpol Central Bureau for Slovenia), the General Customs</p>			

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7	<p>Has your country encouraged any non-Party to accede to the Convention?</p>					<p>Yes</p>		<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>																							
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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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provided? Training assistance for the south-east European countries: Croatia.	
11	Has your country provided any data for inclusion in the CITES Identification Manual?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
14	If Yes, please give a brief description. Regular meetings are held between MA, SA and enforcement authorities regarding CITES activities. Focal points responsible for multilateral environmental agreements working at the Ministry of the environment and spatial planning are cooperating and information on ongoing activities within each agreement is shared at the working meetings.	
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"/>
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2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>		
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:

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B4	Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed ANNEXES II,III, IV	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input type="checkbox"/>
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C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited ANNEXES II,III, IV	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions ANNEXES II,III, IV	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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C9	Details of violations and results of court actions ANNEXES II,III, IV	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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D4 (10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES produced for educational or public awareness purposes, Comments http://www.arso.gov.si/en/nature/reports%20and%20publications/	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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ANNEX 1 - STRICTER DOMESTIC LEGISLATIVE MEASURES - SLOVENIA

1. OBLIGATION TO NOTIFY THE KEEPING OF LIVE ANIMALS IN CAPTIVITY AND INSURANCE OF ADEQUATE LIVING CONDITIONS

Whoever obtains large mammals, birds and reptiles and animals of the species specified in the ratified international treaties, with the purpose of keeping them in captivity, must notify the ministry thereof (Natural Conservation Act, Art. 19). The list of species to which this obligation applies is provided in Annex II to the *Order on the living conditions for and care of wild animals kept in captivity* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 90/01).

The list also includes species listed in the CITES Appendices I and II.

The specimens of wild animal species could only be kept in captivity if adequate living conditions are ensured. These conditions should meet at least minimal standards prescribed in Annex I of the Order.

The Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia keeps the record of notifications and animal markings in accordance with Article 20 of the *Rules on the marking of animals of wild species kept in captivity* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 58/04).

2. PERMIT FOR CAPTIVE-BREEDING

Whoever intends to breed animals of indigenous or non-indigenous species must obtain a permit of the Ministry (Nature Conservation Act, Article 21). Conditions for obtaining a permit for captive-breeding for commercial purposes of specimens of species listed in CITES Appendices or nationally protected species are laid down in Article 29 of the *Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08).

Scientific Authority, in cooperation with the inspection body, regularly monitors the breeding operations. Every year by 15 February, a breeder has to submit to the Management and Scientific Authorities an annual report on the breeding for the preceding year. When he acts contrary to the provisions under which the permit has been issued, the permit is withdrawn.

3. ASSESSMENT OF RISK TO NATURE

Prior to the import of plants or animals of non-indigenous species for the purpose of introduction or re-introduction into the wild or captive breeding or artificial propagation, a proposer must enclose with the application the findings of the assessment of risk to nature (Nature Conservation Act, Arts. 17, 18 and 21). This measure should be carried out to avoid possible harmful effects to native fauna and flora in the case of deliberate release or incidental escape of specimens of non-indigenous species into the natural environment. The assessment of risk to nature is carried out by a competent legal or natural person designated by the minister in accordance with the *Rules on the assessment of risk to nature and on the authorisation*. The expense related to the carrying-out of the assessment of risk to nature is covered by the applicant.

4. PERMIT FOR KEEPING IN CAPTIVITY WITH THE PURPOSE OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION

A natural or legal person who intends to keep animals of indigenous or non-indigenous species in captivity with the purpose of public exhibition in zoos, aquariums, terrariums or similar facilities must obtain a permit of the Ministry (Nature Conservation Act, Art. 20). The

permit for zoos and similar facilities is issued by the Ministry responsible for nature protection in accordance with the provisions of the *Decree on zoos and similar facilities* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 37/03).

5. PROHIBITION OF KEEPING IN CAPTIVITY CERTAIN ANIMAL SPECIES

The *Decree on protected wild animal species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 46/2004, 109/2004, 84/2005, 115/2007, 96/2008, 36/2009) in its Article 13 prohibits the keeping in captivity of wild specimens of species listed in its Annex I. It also prohibits keeping of live birds of prey (Falconiformes) and owls (Strigiformes). The derogations apply to a rescue centre and Zoos in accordance with the acts regulating their operation. Keeping of such specimens by other natural or legal persons is possible in exceptional cases on the basis of the permit issued by the Ministry if the prescribed conditions are met.

6. PROHIBITION OF KEEPING IN CAPTIVITY CETACEANS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

The *Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08) in its Article 16 prohibits the use for commercial purposes specimens of the cetacean species (Cetacea), including commercial dolphinaria and therapeutic programs.

7. PROHIBITION OF TRANSPORT, MOVE, SALE, EXCHANGE OR OFFER FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

The *Decree on protected animal species* in its Article 14 prohibits transport, move, sell, exchange or offer for sale or exchange live or dead animals of the species listed in Annex 1 to this Decree that have been taken from the wild. The derogations apply to keeping in captivity, transport and move live or dead animals taken from the wild in accordance with the Article 6 of the *Decree on protected animal species*, of specimens legally taken from the wild, imported, seized and confiscated in accordance with the EU wildlife trade regulations.

8. ACQUISITION OF CONFISCATED LIVE SPECIMENS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

When the Management Authority decides that the confiscated live specimens are to be handed over to a legal or natural person for commercial purposes (Article 34, para 5. of the *Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08)), such person should obtain a permit for captive breeding in accordance with Article 28 of the *Decree*.

9. OBLIGATION OF MARKING OF WILD ANIMALS IN CAPTIVITY

The *Rules on the marking of animals of wild species kept in captivity* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 58/04) lay down species that have to be marked. Animals of wild species to be marked under these Rules are mammals, birds and reptiles that are:

- listed in Annex A to Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 of on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (OJ L 61, 3.3.1997, p. 1),
- listed in Annex B to Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 and are part of a breeding stock,
- protected by a regulation governing the protection of wild animal species,
- birds of genuses *Ara* and *Amazona*, and of species *Alisterus amboinensis*, *Aratinga euops*, *Cacatua alba*, *Cacatua ducorps*, *Cacatua galerita*, *Cacatua galerita triton*, *Cacatua leadbeateri*, *Cacatua sanguinea*, *Cacatua sulphurea citrinocristata*, *Callocephalon fimbriatum*, *Calyptorhynchus baudinii*, *Calyptorhynchus funereus*,

Calyptorhynchus banksii, *Chalcopsitta cardinalis*, *Cyclopsitta diophthalma diophthalma*, *Derophtus accipitrinus fuscifrons*, *Eclectus roratus*, *Eos cyanogenia*, *Nestor notabilis*, *Northiella haematogaster naretha*, *Psittacula columboides*, *Psittacula longicauda*, *Psittacus erithacus*, *Pyrrhura rhodogaster*.

The Rules lay down the methods of marking and the types and quality of marks. They also lay down that young turtles with the flat bottom part of the shell (plastron) shorter than 100 mm that have been bred by breeders having a breeding permit are not to be marked. Animals marked with marks approved by the competent authorities of other countries which are equal to marks specified in the Rules need not to be marked. The Rules also lay down that the animals that are lighter than 200 g or have not yet grown to that weight and birds that are marked by a closed ring should not be marked.

Birds hatched in captivity must be marked with closed rings. A bird must be marked with a ring with the inner diameter as stipulated in Annex 2 to the Rules. The leg bearing the ring must be undamaged. When the last two conditions have not been met, the bird is considered as not marked. Where the inner diameter of the ring is not laid down, the bird is marked with a microchip or an open ring appropriate to the size of the leg, or by a description.

The marks should be supplied and marking carried out only by persons authorised by the Environmental Agency of Republic of Slovenia. The breeder must mark the animal within ten working days from its acquisition or within the five working days after the quarantine has been concluded if this is longer than ten working days. The marker issues a marking certificate after every marking and enters it in the electronic evidence which is kept by the Environmental Agency.

In case of parrots and lorries (order Psittaciformes) listed in Annex A of Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97, birds of prey (order Falconiformes) and owls (order Strigiformes) a deposit of samples for molecular and genetic analyses is mandatory. Samples are taken when the bird has grown sufficiently to make it impossible to take off its ring.

10. REGISTRATION OF SCIENTISTS AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS

Scientists and scientific institutions wishing to use the derogation in accordance with the fourth paragraph of Article 6 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97, must be registered by the Management Authority. Prior to registration, such scientists or institutions should draw up an inventory of specimens of the species listed in Annexes A through C to Regulation 338/97 and make it available to the Management Authority. The conditions for registration are laid down in Article 13 of the *Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08). The research collections of specimens and records relating to them must be kept permanently in the institution and under expert supervision. The specimens have to be available to all qualified users, including the users from other institutions and other scientists. A permanent record must be kept on research collections. The specimens must be legally acquired for the purpose of research and storage or must be obtained before legislation relating to wildlife conservation and wildlife trade came into force, and the specimens in the collection must be organised in the manner ensuring their usability. The Management Authority keeps a register of scientists and scientific institutions and submits their names and addresses to the Convention Secretariat and to the European Commission (*Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species*, Article 14).

11. ENDANGERED AND INTERNATIONALLY PROTECTED ANIMAL SPECIES

The *Decree on protected wild animal species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 46/2004, 109/2004, 84/2005, 115/2007, 96/2008, 36/2009) transposes the provisions of certain Articles of *Council Directive 79/409/EEC* (Bird Directive) and *Council Directive 92/43/EEC* (Habitat Directive) into national legal order and prescribes the protection measures for internationally protected animal species.

The provisions of the Decree apply to live and dead wild animals in all stages of development (eggs, including eggshells, larvae, pupae, young and adult animals), parts or derivatives of dead animals which appear from accompanying documents, the packaging or a mark or from any other circumstances, to be parts or derivatives of animals. Provisions also apply to animal structures such as nests, haunts, resting or breeding grounds etc. It is prohibited to consciously harm, poison, kill, take from the wild, hunt, capture or disturb animals of the species listed in Annex 1 to the Decree. The Annexes to the Decree also contain native species that are listed in CITES Appendices (e.g. sea mammals, brown bear, wolf, wild cat, lynx, otter, birds of prey and owls, sea turtles etc.). Taking of live animals from the wild and keeping them in captivity or possessing their parts or derivatives or their structures protected by the Decree could be permitted by the Ministry in exceptional cases.

12. ENDANGERED AND INTERNATIONALLY PROTECTED PLANT SPECIES

The *Decree on protected wild plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 46/2004, 110/2004, 115/2007, 36/2009) transposes the provisions of certain Articles of *Council Directive 92/43/EEC* (Habitat Directive) into national legal order and prescribes the protection measures for internationally protected plant species. It is prohibited to consciously destroy, in particular to pick, cut, uproot and take from the wild, damage or collect plants of the species listed in Annex to the Decree and to threaten the existence of these species in their natural distribution range. The provisions of the Decree apply to wild plants, all plant parts (above-ground parts, especially flowers, fruit with seed, stalks, leaves; underground parts, especially corms, bulbs and tubers), their stages of development and derivatives. It is prohibited to transport, move, sell, exchange or offer for sale or exchange plants of the species listed in Annex to the Decree that have been taken from the wild. It is permitted to take from the wild, exploit or possess specimens of protected plant species, when they have been: taken from the wild in accordance with the Decree, taken from the wild in accordance with the regulations of the European Union, legally imported or seized or confiscated in accordance with the regulations.

13. COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES INVOLVING SPECIMENS OF PROTECTED NATIVE SPECIES

In accordance with Article 16 of the *Decree on the course of conduct and protection measures in the trade in animal and plant species* (Official Gazette of RS, No. 39/08) it is prohibited to use for commercial purposes specimens of the species which are listed in Annex 1 to the *Decree on the protection of wild animal species* or in Annex 1 to the *Decree on the protection of wild plant species*, but not in Annex A to Regulation 338/97. The Management Authority exceptionally allows the use of such specimens for commercial purposes, provided that such specimens have been legally obtained, captive-bred or artificially propagated or are essential to the advancement of science. The Management Authority issues a certificate for that purpose. The derogation applies to seedling cultures or tissue cultures. The commercial use of parts of plants of species not listed in Annex A of Regulation 338/97/EC, including cut

flowers, must be in accordance with the regulation governing the conservation of wild plant species.

ANNEX II - Report on seizures and confiscations in Slovenia

Table 1.: Seizures and confiscations in 2007

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.	Sanction
2.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / JO	Personal luggage	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Tridacna</i> spp.	1 piece	SHE	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
2.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / MU	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	6 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
11.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochropis piscator</i>	2 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
23.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochropis piscator</i>	1 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
23.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochropis piscator</i>	3 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
23.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochropis piscator</i>	1 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
23.0.07	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochropis piscator</i>	1 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
27.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / TH	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus siamensis</i>	1 piece	BOD	No CITES documents	I	Criminal complaint rejected Sanction: confiscation, fine 600,00 EUR
27.3.07	Airport Brnik	SI / TH	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus siamensis</i>	2 pieces	SKU	No CITES documents	I	Criminal complaint rejected Sanction: confiscation, fine 600,00 EUR
8.4.07	Starod (SI-HR)	CH / ME	Personal vehicle	ME	REPTILIA <i>Testudo hermanni</i>	3 pieces	LIV	Smuggling	II	Offence Sanction: confiscation and fine 125,19 EUR
30.4.07	Airport Brnik	SI / SC	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	12 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	Cites App.	Sanction
30.4.07	Airport Brnik	SI / SC	Personal luggage	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Tridacna</i> spp.	2 pieces	SHE	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
7.5.07	Airport Brnik	SI / MU	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	24 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
7.5.07	Airport Brnik	SI / MU	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	10 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
15.5.07	Airport Brnik	SI / unknown	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	14 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
13.6.07	Jelšane (SI-HR)	DE / HR	Personal luggage	DE	BIVALVIA <i>Tridacna</i> spp.	1 piece	SHE	No CITES documents	II	Confiscation
8.8.07	Sečovelje (SI-HR)	SI / HR	Personal vehicle	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	12 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II	Confiscation and criminal complaint
31.8.07	Obrežje (SI-HR)	FR / TR	Personal vehicle	TR	REPTILIA <i>Testudo hermanni</i>	6 pieces	LIV	Smuggling	II	Seizure, criminal complaint rejected

Table 2.: Seizures and confiscations in 2008

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.	Sanction
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SD	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>	6 pieces	LPS	No CITES documents	I	Seizure and criminal complaint
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SD	Personal luggage	SI	MAMMALIA <i>Loxodonta africana</i>	9 pieces	CAR	No CITES documents	I	Seizure and criminal complaint
30.3.08	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>	1 piece	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
30.3.08	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>	2 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
2.4.08	Airport Brnik	SI / USA	Post parcel	SI	REPTILIA <i>Python reticulatus</i>	1 piece	LPS	No CITES documents	II	Seizure, ongoing
21.4.08	Airport Brnik	SI / VN	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>	3 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Giving over of goods to the State
23.4.08	Metlika (SI-HR)	SI / Unknown	Inside vehicle	SI	REPTILIA <i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>	2 pieces	DER	No CITES documents	III	Confiscation
2.5.08	Airport Brnik	SI / USA	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Python reticulatus</i>	2 pieces	LPS	No CITES documents	II	Seizure, ongoing
21.5.08	Airport Brnik	SI / Unknown	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA Scleractinia spp.	1 piece	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
11.8.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SC	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	5 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
11.8.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SC	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA spp.	38 pieces	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
16.8.08	Airport Brnik	SI / unknown	Personal luggage	SI	ANTHOZOA SCLERACTINIA <i>Heliopora coerulea</i>	1 piece	COR	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	Cites App.	Sanction
16.9.08	Koper	SI / HR	Inside vehicle (bus)	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	10 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II	Seizure and criminal complaint ongoing
3.10.08	Murska Sobota	IT / HU	Inside vehicle	UA	PISCES <i>Huso huso</i>	5 x 295 g	EGG	No CITES documents	II	Seizure and criminal complaint ongoing
5.9.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / US	Post parcel	SI	MAMMALIA Cetacea	1 piece	BON	No CITES documents	I	Giving over of goods to the State
5.11.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / ZA	Post parcel	SI	FLORA <i>Hoodia gordonii</i>	3 x 60 tablets	MED	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
12.12.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / ZA	Post parcel	SI	FLORA <i>Hoodia gordonii</i>	4 x 90 capsules	MED	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
12.12.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / ZA	Post parcel	SI	FLORA <i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i>	4 x 90 capsules	MED	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State

ANNEX III - Report on the significant seizures and confiscations in Slovenia

Table 1: Significant seizures and confiscations in 2007

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.
08.04.07	Starod (SI-HR)	CH / ME	Personal vehicle	ME	REPTILIA <i>Testudo hermanni</i>	3 pieces	LIV	Smuggling	II
08.08.07	Sečovlje (SI-HR)	SI / HR	Personal vehicle	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	12 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II
31.08.07	Obrežje (SI-HR)	FR / TR	Personal vehicle	TR	REPTILIA <i>Testudo hermanni</i>	6 pieces	LIV	Smuggling	II

Table 2: Significant seizures and confiscations in 2008

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Country of Import / (re)export	Mode of Transport	Offender's Nationality	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.	Sanction
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SD	Personal luggage	SI	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>	6 pieces	LPS	No CITES documents	I	Seizure and criminal complaint ongoing
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	SI / SD	Personal luggage	SI	MAMMALIA <i>Loxodonta africana</i>	9 pieces	CAR	No CITES documents	I	Seizure and criminal complaint ongoing
16.9.08	Koper	SI / HR	Inside vehicle (bus)	SI	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	10 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II	Seizure and criminal complaint
5.9.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / US	Post parcel	SI	MAMMALIA Cetacea	1 piece	BON	No CITES documents	I	Giving over of goods to the State
5.11.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / ZA	Post parcel	SI	FLORA <i>Hoodia gordonii</i>	3 x 60 tablets	MED	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State
12.12.08	Ljubljana post border	SI / ZA	Post parcel	SI	FLORA <i>Hoodia gordonii</i>	4 x 90 capsules	MED	No CITES documents	II	Giving over of goods to the State

ANNEX IV - Report on criminal complaints

Table 1.: Criminal complaints in 2007

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.	Sanction
27.03.07	Airport Brnik	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus siamensis</i>	1 piece	BOD	No CITES documents	I	27.3.07 – one case Criminal complaint rejected
27.03.07	Airport Brnik	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus siamensis</i>	2 pieces	SKU	No CITES documents	I	Offender paid 600,00 EUR for welfare purposes.
08.08.07	Sečovlje (SI-HR)	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	12 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II	The Court imposed penalty five months of conditional imprisonment 3 years of probation
31.08.07	Obrežje (SI-HR)	REPTILIA <i>Testudo hermanni</i>	6 pieces	LIV	Smuggling	II	Criminal complaint rejected

Table 2.: Criminal complaints in 2008

Date of Seizure	Customs Border port	Taxonomic group / species	Quantity	Type of Specimen	Reason for Seizure	CITES App.	Sanction
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	REPTILIA <i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>	6 pieces	LPS	No CITES documents	I	29.1.08 – one case Criminal complaint rejected
29.1.08	Airport Brnik	MAMMALIA <i>Loxodonta africana</i>	9 pieces	CAR	No CITES documents	I	offender paid 800,00 EUR for welfare purposes.
16.9.08	Koper	BIVALVIA <i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i>	10 kg	BOD	Smuggling	II	Criminal complaint ongoing
3.10.08	Murska Sobota	PISCES <i>Huso huso</i>	5 x 295 g	EGG	No CITES documents	II	The Court imposed penalty two months of conditional imprisonment 2 years of probation