PART 1 - CITES QUESTIONS



A. General information

Party	Malta
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004	1 January 2011 to 31December 2012
Details of agency preparing this report	CITES Management Authority
	Ecosystems Management Unit
	Environment Protection Directorate
	Malta Environment and Planning Authority
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	CITES Management Authority
	Customs Department
	Malta Police

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been provided Y						ed Yes (fully)			
	under the CITES National L	egislation Project?				oartly)				
	If yes, ignore questions 2, 3	and 4.			No					
					No in	formatior	n/unknown			
2	If your country has planned details:	, drafted or	enacted an	y CITES-relevant l	egislation,	please pr	ovide the follo	wing		
	Title and date:		S	Status:						
	Brief description of contents	3:								
3	Is enacted legislation availa	able in one	of the wor	king languages of	the Yes					
	Convention?				No					
					No information					
4	If yes, please attach a copy provisions that were gazette		legislative	text or key legislati	_	tion attac ed previc				
					-	-	vill send later	H		
5	Which of the following issu your country has adopted fo							:		
	(in accordance with Article	XIV of the	Convention	1)?						
			The condit	ions for:	The	complete	prohibition of:			
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No informa	tion		
	Trade	\boxtimes				\boxtimes				
	Taking									
	Possession	\boxtimes				\boxtimes				
	Transport									
	Other (specify)									

Additional comments

The Trade in Species of Fauna and Flora Regulations, 2004, provide that the Scientific Authority and the Management Authority shall advise the Minister for the Environment to prohibit the trade (import, export and re-export) and the possession of any species of flora and fauna if in their joint opinion, or in the individual opinion of either of the Authorities, such trade or possession would endanger the biological identity or any ecosystem or any species of flora and fauna.

These Regulations also provide that it is the responsibility of the person who is seeking to import or is in possession of any live specimen to obtain the necessary information from the Management Authority.

Any person who would like to import live specimens of fauna (of CITES and non-CITES species) from outside the European Community requires the prior grant of an import licence that is issued by the Trade Services Directorate. This import licence is granted if the Management Authority, following consultation with the Scientific Authority, does not have any objection to the importation.

	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information
	Powers of CITES authorities	\boxtimes			
	Clarity of legal obligations	\boxtimes			
	Control over CITES trade	\boxtimes			
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use	\boxtimes			
	Coverage of law for all types of offences	\boxtimes			
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties	\boxtimes			
	Implementing regulations	\boxtimes			
	Coherence within legislation	\boxtimes			
	Other (please specify):				
	Please provide details if available:				
7	If no review or assessment has taken preporting period?	place, is one plan	nned for the next	Yes No No	information
	Please provide details if available:				
8	Has there been any review of legislater relation to implementation of the Convergence		wing subjects in	Tick al	l applicable
	Subject		Yes	No	No information
	Access to or ownership of natural resou	rces		\boxtimes	
	Harvesting			\boxtimes	
	Transporting of live specimens	\boxtimes			
	Handling and housing of live specimens	3		\boxtimes	
	Please provide details if available:				
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 un	dertaken?				
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:					
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	\boxtimes				
	Border controls	\boxtimes				
	Other (specify)					
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?		\boxtimes			
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?					

5	If information available:		Numb	per
	Significant seizures/confiscations			
	☐ Total seizures/confiscations	X 19 (details in A	Annex 1a & 1b)
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details on annex.			
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?			
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please a	attach deta	ails as Ann	ex.
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?		\boxtimes	
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please at	tach detail	ls as Annex.	
	(details in Annex 1a & 1b)			
10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?		T	ick if applicable
	Return to country of export			
•	Public zoos or botanical gardens			\boxtimes
	Designated rescue centres			\bowtie
	Approved, private facilities			
	– Euthanasia			
	– Other (specify)			\boxtimes
	indeed confiscated live specimens are taken to the local quarantine. animals of limited size and in small quantities; in view of this, lor considered by sending the specimens to specialised rescue centres in of dead specimens are retained by the CITES Management Authority to	ng-term r ther Mem	e-homing ober States.	of specimens is Confiscation of
	educational purposes.			
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed information significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offend	other lers?	Yes No Not applica	
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D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information	Yes	
	for the MA(s) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	No	\boxtimes
	Directory.	No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.		
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been	Yes	
	designated?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead M	IA in the CITES Direct	tory.
	Malta only has one CITES Management Authority.		
5	How many staff work in each MA? 3 members of staff		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related	Yes	\boxtimes
	matters?	No	
		No information	
	If yes, please give estimation		
	1 person 80%; 2 persons 50%		
	6 additional persons also contributed to work on CITES related matters at		
	the Management Authority, but spent less than 10% of their work time on		
7	the Management Authority, but spent less than 10% of their work time on such issues.	Tick if ap	plicable
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D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1		n any changes in in your country v	Yes No No informatio	on \square			
2	If Yes, please u	se the opportunity	to provide those	changes h	ere.		
3	Has your count Management A	try designated a uthority?	Yes No No informatio	n			
4	What is the stru	cture of the SA(s)) in your country?			Tic	ck if applicable
	– Governi	ment institution					
	– Academ	nic or research ins	titution				
	– Permane	ent committee					
	- Pool of	individuals with c	ertain expertise				\boxtimes
	– Other (s	specify)					
5	How many staff	f work in each SA	on CITES issues	? 3 individ	luals		
6		te the percentage	of time they spend	d on CITE	S related	Yes	\boxtimes
	matters?					No	
	TC 1 .					No informatio	n 🗌
	If yes, please gi			20.1 /	CVERE		
	related matters.		s approximately 3 over the annual ork load.				
7			taff within the SA	(s)?		Tio	ck if applicable
	- Botany	T. I.					
	- Ecology	7					\boxtimes
·	– Fisherie						
	– Forestry	7					
	– Welfare						
	– Zoology						\boxtimes
	-	specify) Entomolo	ισγ				
	– No info		8)				
8			en undertaken by	the SA(s)) in relation to	Yes	
	CITES species?					No	\boxtimes
						No informatio	n 🗌
9	If Yes, please g	ive the species na	me and provide de	etails of th	e kind of researc	h involved.	
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)
	1						
	2						
	3						
	etc.						
		<u>.</u>				No informati	on 🗌
10	Have any proje	ect proposals for	scientific researc	h been su	bmitted to the	Yes	
		er Resolution Con				No	\boxtimes
						No informati	on \square
11	Please provide	details of any add	itional measures ta	aken:			

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 No No information			
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email).	To information	<u> </u>		
3	Has your country established a specialized unit responsible for CITES- related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the	Yes			
	police, public prosecutor's office)?	No			
		Under consideration			
		No information			
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement:				
	The Enforcement Directorate within the Malta Environment & Planning Authority (MEPA). Enforcement Unit within the Customs Department. Administrative Law Enforcement Section within the Malta Police.				
	These entities work together when considering enforcement matters, as required.				
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:				
	Not Applicable				

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

	Communication, injoin									
1	To what extent is CIT	To what extent is CITES information in your country computerized? Tick if applicable Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade								
	 Monitoring an 	d reporti	ng of data o	on legal trac	le					
	 Monitoring an 	\boxtimes								
	 Permit issuance 	ee					\boxtimes			
	– Not at all									
	- Other (specify)								
2	Do the following auth	orities h	ave access t	o the Intern	et?		Tick if applicable			
	Authority		Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	Some offices only	Not at all	Please provide details where appropriate			
	Management Authority	\boxtimes								
	Scientific Authority	\square								
	Enforcement Authority	\boxtimes								
3	Do you have an electr	onic info	ormation sy	stem provio	ling inf	ormation	on CITES Yes			
	species?						No			
							No information			

4	If Yes, does it provide information on:			Tick if applicable
	Legislation (national, regional or internation	nal)?		
	EU Regulations and national legislation are availab	ole		
	Conservation status (national, regional, inte	rnational)?		
	Other (please specify)? Relevant application table for alien species, administration of the		nent	
	More information is expected to be available online			
5	Is it available through the Internet:		Ye	s
			No	
			No	t applicable
			No	information \Box
	Please provide URL:			
	http://www.mepa.org.mt/lplegislationpolicymain http://www.mepa.org.mt/biodiversity-trade			
6	Do the following authorities have access to the following	owing publications?		Tick if applicable
	Publication	Management Authority	Scientific Authority	Enforcement Authority
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices (CD-ROM)	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes
	Identification Manual	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
	CITES Handbook	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes
7	If not, what problems have been encountered to acc	cess to the mentioned	d information?	
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Mana	gement Authority or	1:	Tick if applicable
	Mortality in transport?			
	– Seizures and confiscations?			\boxtimes
	Discrepancy in number of items in permit and n	number of items actu	ally traded?	\boxtimes
	Comments: Reports would have been made on n have been such cases.	nortality in transpor	t should there	
9	Is there a government website with informa	tion on CITES a	and its Yes	\boxtimes
	requirements?		No	
			No ii	nformation
	If Yes, please give the URL:			
	www.mepa.org.mt (The Malta Environment and Planning Authority by the government as the CITES Management Autl		ignated	
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the bring about better accessibility to and understandin requirements to the wider public?			Tick if applicable
	Press releases/conferences			
	Newspaper articles, radio/television appeara	ances		
	Brochures, leaflets			
	– Presentations			
	– Displays			
	Information at border crossing points			
	Telephone hotline			

	- Other (specify)	\boxtimes
	The CITES Management Authority Office is open to provide information to the public on CITES; the Management Authority also replies to several requests for information (which are received by email and by telephone) on a daily basis.	
	Please attach copies of any items as Annex.	N/A
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: N/A	

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit for	Yes	\boxtimes						
	empowered to sign CITES po Secretariat?	No							
	Secretariat:	Not applicable No information	Ш						
	If no, please provide details of	If no, please provide details of any:							
	Changes in permit format:								
	Changes in designation or s	ignatures of relevar	nt officials	•					
2	To date, has your country de following?	ny of the	Tick if applicable						
				Yes	No	No informati	on		
	Permit issuance/acceptance								
	Registration of traders				\boxtimes				
	Registration of producers								
3	Please indicate how many CITI	ES documents were	issued or	denied in the	two year p	period?			
	(Note that actual trade is norm documents).	nally reported in the	e Annual	Report by Pa	arties. This	question refers to	issued		
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re-export	Other	Comments			
	How many documents were issued?	70	7	4	128				
	How many applications were denied because of severe ommissions or misinformation?	0	0	0	0				
	Year 2 How many documents were issued?	85	1	8	109				
	How many applications were denied because of severe ommissions or misinformation?	0	0	0	0				
4	Were any CITES documents the of severe ommissions or mis-in		cancelled	and replaced	d because	Yes No No information			
5	If Yes, please give the reasons	for this.					·		

6	Please give the reasons for rejection of C	CITES documents fro	om oth	er countri	es.	Tick if applicable	e
	An export permit for fertile eagle eggs						
	that it was a fake certificate (March 20)						
	CITES Management Authority were ad of the exporter for further investigation.	ivised accordingly w	ith the	contact	details		
	Reason			Yes	No	No informat	ion
	Technical violations						
	Suspected fraud						
	Insufficient basis for finding of non-detr	imont					
	Insufficient basis for finding of legal acc						
	Other (specify)	Įuisitioii					
7		a managament tool	in the			Vac	
/	Are harvest and/or export quotas as a issuance of permits?	a management toor	III UIE	procedu	ire for	Yes No	
	issuance of permits.					No information	
	Comments					NO IIIOI IIIauoii	
8	Comments How many times has the Scientific Auth	omitri haan maassastad	to mmo	rida anin	ional		
0	16 times	iority been requested	to pro	vide opin	IOHS?		
9	Has the Management Authority charge	d foos for parmit iss	alloneo.	rogistrot	ion or	Tick if ap	plicable
7	related CITES activities?	d fees for permit iss	suance	, registiai	1011 01	тіск іг ар	рисавіе
	Issuance of CITES documents:						\bowtie
	 Licensing or registration of oper 	rations that produce (CITES	species:			
	 Harvesting of CITES-listed spec 	=					\Box
	Use of CITES-listed species:						\Box
	 Assignment of quotas for CITES 	S-listed species:					一
	 Importing of CITES-listed specience 	•					
	- Other (specify):						
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of su	ch fees					
10	€11.65 per import / export / re-export pe						
11	Have revenues from fees been used for t		f CITE	S or		Tick if ap	plicable
	wildlife conservation?	ne imprementation o	. 0111	25 01		Tion ii up	pricacio
	– Entirely:						
	– Partly:						
	– Not at all:						$\overline{\Box}$
	Not relevant:						\boxtimes
	Comments:						
12	Please provide details of any additional	measures taken:					.
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D6	Capacity building						
	1						
1	Have any of the following activities bee		ance e	ffectivene	ess of	Tick if app	plicable
	CITES implementation at the national l	evel?					
	Increased budget for activities	П	Impre	ovement o	of nation	ıal	\boxtimes
		_	netwo				_
	Hiring of more staff	\boxtimes	Purch	ase of tec	hnical e	equipment for	\boxtimes
		Enforcement		toring/enf			
	Development of implementation		Com	outerisatio	on		
	tools				-		
	- Other (specify)						
<u> </u>	Cinci (Specify)						

2	Have the CITES authorities in your country activities provided by external sources?	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. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources?			
	Staff of Management Authority		\boxtimes				EU-TWIX communication and communication with other EU CITES Management Authorities.			
	Staff of Scientific Authority									
	Staff of enforcement authorities									
	Traders									
	NGOs									
	Public									
	Other (specify)									

3	Have the CITES authorities in your country activities?	/ been th	e provid	ers of an	y of th	ne foll	owing capacity building
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	Details
	Staff of Management Authority						New staff was trained by other officials and provided with advice and guidance on various CITES-related topics.
	Staff of Scientific Authority						
	Staff of enforcement authorities						
	Traders						CITES authorities provide traders with information on whether particular species require CITES clearance, whether there are any restrictions for their importation, what kind of information is required to clear shipment once in Malta and what documents need to accompany a shipment from the exporting country so as to be considered legal. Technical assistance with respect to other environmental permits required is also provided.
	NGOs	\boxtimes					
	Public	\square	\square				
	Other parties/International meetings						Through EU-TWIX
	Other (specify)						
4	Please provide details of any additional mea	asures ta	ken				
D7 Col	llaboration/co-operative initiatives						
1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral co	mmittee	on CITE	ES?			Yes 🖂 No 🗀 No information
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and Most dealings were done on a day-to-day				omail	and	
	telephone. Committee composed of: Vete officials; Police officials; CITES Managem	erinary Sonent Auth	Services of hority of	officials; ficials.	; Custo	oms	
	Frequency of meetings is on a need basi	is called	in order	r to tack	ale urc	rent	

	cases.								
	Regular consulta Management Aut		e held bet	tween the	Scientific A	Authority	and the		
3	If No, please indi among CITES au							A to ensure co-ordination	
		Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Other (specify)	
	Meetings								
	Consultations								
4	At the national collaborate with:	level ha	ive there	been any	efforts to	Tick i	f applicable	Details if available	
	Agencies for dev	elopment	and trade					The Management Authority was consulted on development issues related to the housing of CITES species. Collaboration with regard to trade is considered on a day- to-day basis as required.	
	Provincial, state of	or territor	ial authori	ties				•	
	Local authorities	or comm	unities			\boxtimes			
	Indigenous peopl	les							
	Trade or other pr	ivate sect	or associa	tions					
	NGOs								
	Other (specify)								
5	To date, have any formal arrangement to CITES been as agencies?	ents for i	nstitutiona	al cooperat	ion related			Tick if applicable	
	SA								
	Customs								
	Police								
	Other border auth								
	Other governmen	•	es						
	Private sector boo	dies							
	NGOs								
6	Other (specify)	v nortici	antod in -	nu rogione	1 activities			Tiple if applicable	
0	Has your country related to CITES		pateu in a	ny regiona	i activities			Tick if applicable	
	Workshops								
	Meetings								
	Other (specify)		1	.	4	***			
7	Has your country	y encoura	ged any n	on-Party to	accede to	Yes			

	the Convention?		\boxtimes
	No information		
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to another	Yes	
	country in relation to CITES?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
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	Yes	
	Manual?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
13	Has your country taken measures to achieve co-ordination and reduce	Yes	\boxtimes
	duplication of activities between the national authorities for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related	No	
	Conventions)?	No information	
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
	The CITES Management Authority is part of the Ecosystems Management U achieved among different focal points in the Unit specialised on marine management.		
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D8 Areas for future work

1	level and what is the respective level of priority?						
	Activity	High	Medium	Low			
	Increased budget for activities	\boxtimes					
	Hiring of more staff	\boxtimes					
	Development of implementation tools	\boxtimes					
	Improvement of national networks		\boxtimes				
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement	\boxtimes					
	Computerisation		\boxtimes				
	Other (specify)						
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific	Yes					
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?	No		\boxtimes			
		No info	rmation				
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	Yes		\boxtimes			
	requiring attention or assistance?	No					
		No inf	ormation				
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is	required					
	Limited enforcement personnel, which has been addressed to some extent during is also limited personnel dealing with CITES policy and permitting issues.	this repor	rting period.	There			
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms within the	Yes					
	Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No		\boxtimes			
		No inf	ormation				
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.						

E. General feedback

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

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

Question	Item		
B4	Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures impose	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	\boxtimes
	(details in Annex 1a & 1b)	Not available	
		Not relevant	
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed	\boxtimes
	(details in Annex 1a & 1b)	Not available	
		Not relevant	
C9	Details of violations and results of court actions	Enclosed	\boxtimes
	(details in Annex 1a & 1b)	Not available	
		Not relevant	
D4 (10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES produced for	Enclosed	
	educational or public awareness purposes,	Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
	Comments		

ANNEX - PROPOSED BIENNIAL REPORT FORMAT

Part 2 - Supplementary Questions 1

Note: Questions in Part 2 are additional to those in Part 1, and relate to information on the provisions of the EC Regulations (Regulation (EC) No. 338/97 and Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006) that fall outside the scope of CITES.

Please be aware that questions in Part 2 have been updated since the last reporting period, and this new version should be used when submitting biennial reports.

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¹ Part 2 agreed at COM 45

PART 2 - SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

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PART 2 SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

The numbering of this section reflects that in Annex 2, Part 1, with the addition of (b) to distinguish the two. New questions that do not correspond to questions in Annex 2, Part 1 are marked "new". Unless otherwise stated, the legislation referred to below is Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97.

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1b	If not already provided under questions B (2) and B (4), please provide details of any national legislation that has been updated in this reporting period and attach the full legislative text.									
2b	If your country has planned, drafted or enacted any additional Regulation -relevant legislation, other than that reported under question B (2) or above, please provide the following details:									
	Title and date: Status:									
	Brief description of conten	nts:								
5b	Has your country adopted any stricter domestic measures, other than those reported under question B (5), specifically for non CITES-listed species ² ? Tick all applicable categories below that these categories apply to.									
			The condit	tions for:	T1	ne complete	prohibition of:			
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No information			
	Trade	\boxtimes				\square				
	Taking									
	Possession	\boxtimes								
	Transport									
	Other (specify)									
	Additional comments									
8b	Has there been any review relation to implementation									
		101 Council	Regulation	(Ee) 110. 330/5/	Yes	No	No information			
	Introduction of live Regul Community that would the (in accordance with Articl	reaten the in	digenous fa							
	Marking specimens to fac with Article 19, paragraph		fication (in	accordance						
	Please provide details if a	vailable:								
9b	Please provide the followi i) Maximum penalt	•	_		tions:					
	Any person who commits less than 465.87 but not not exceeding two years, or	exceeding €4 or to both suc	4658.75or ch fine and	to imprisonment for imprisonment.	or a period	of not less	than one month but			
	on in question B		ures taken	in relation to impl	ementatior	of the Reg	ulation not reported			
	Not applicable.									

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 $^{^2}$ In this questionnaire, "non CITES-listed species" refers to species that are listed in the Regulation Annexes, but not in the CITES Appendices. They include some species in Annexes A and B and all those in Annex D.

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

2b	Have any actions, in addition to those reported in C (2-9) above, been to for Regulation-related violations?	Yes	
	for Regulation-related violations?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
9b 16b	Please provide the following details about Regulations-related violations: i) Maximum sanctions which have been imposed over this reporting per Maximum sanction four years imprisonment suspended for two years with con ii) The outcomes of any prosecutions; Details in Annex 1a & 1b Has there been any review or assessment of Regulation-related enforcement, in addition to that reported under C (16) above?		ecimens.
		No information	
	Comments:		_
18 new	Have specimens been marked to establish whether they were born and bred in captivity? (In accordance with <i>Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006</i> , Article 66)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
19 new	Have any monitoring activities been undertaken to ensure that the intended accommodation for a live specimen at the place of destination is adequately equipped to conserve and care for it properly? (In accordance with Article 4 paragraph 1 (c) of <i>Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97</i>).	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
20 new	Have national action plans for co-ordination of enforcement, with clearly defined objectives and timeframes been adopted, and are they harmonized and reviewed on a regular basis? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IIa.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
21 new	Do enforcement authorities have access to specialized equipment and relevant expertise, and other financial and personnel resources? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIb.)	Yes No No information	
	If yes, please provide details.	1 1	
	Comments: Customs mostly make use of X-ray machines to aid in detecting c		
new	Do penalties take into account inter alia the market value of the specimens and the conservation value of the species involved in the offence, and the costs incurred? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IIc.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: Penalties from Customs are worked out on the estimated m However, within the parameters of Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97 as Legal Notice 236 of 2004, penalties are at the discretion of the presiding magi	implemented locally	

23 new	Are training and/or awareness raising activities being carried out for a) enforcement agencies, b) prosecution services, and c) the judiciary? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IId.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: Training was carried out in 2010, that is, during the previous repo	orting period.	
24 new	Are regular checks on traders and holders such as pet shops, breeders and nurseries being undertaken to ensure in-country enforcement? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIg.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: Breeders of Annex A listed CITES specimens are monitored regu	larly.	
25 new	Are risk and intelligence assessment being used systematically in order to ensure thorough checks at border-crossing points as well as in-country? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIh.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
26 new	Are facilities available for the temporary care of seized or confiscated live specimens, and are mechanisms in place for their long-term re-homing, where necessary? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph Iii.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: Facilities for the temporary keeping of seized or confiscated however, these can cater for animals of limited size and in small quantities. specimens is considered by sending the specimens to specialised rescue centres.	Long-term re-homing	of these
27	Is cooperation taking place with relevant enforcement agencies in other	Yes	\boxtimes
new	Member States on investigations of offences under Regulation No. (EC) 338/97? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551,	No	
	paragraph IIIe.)	No information	
	Comments: Through eco-messages in EU-TWIX.		
28	Is assistance being provided to other Member States with the temporary	Yes	
new	care and long-term re-homing of seized or confiscated live specimens? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIIj.)	No No information	
	Comments: Malta is too small to cater for such needs.		
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29 new	source, transit a the CITES Secr to help detect, exchange of info	g place with CITE and consumer courtetariat, ICPO, Intendeter and preversion and intell on C (2007) 2551,	unity as well as ns Organization fe through the	Yes No No information	n					
	Comments: Cor imports and irre	mmunication with egularities.	various CITES N	/As and C	CITES Secretaria	t took place on (CITES-related			
30 new	agencies in so Community to	upport being provi ource, transit an facilitate legal	nd consumer co and sustainable	ountries of trade th	outside of the hrough correct	Yes No				
	application of Recommendation	of procedures? on C (2007) 2551,	(In accordance paragraph IIII.)	ce with	Commission	No information	п 🗀			
	Comments: Corequired special	Comments: Communication with CITES MAs was carried out with respect to certain products which required specialised information in accordance with CITES Resolutions to be able to accept them as valid CITES Export permits, with special emphasis on pre-convention items.								
D1 Ma	nagement Auth		. Administrati	ve meas	sures					
8b		e) undertaken or su ed species or tech (8) and D2 (9)?					\Box			
11 new	the outcomes o	ission and the CIT of any investigationade? (In accordance) (No. 338/97)?	ions that the Cor	mmission	has considered i	it No :il NOT RELEVAN	□ ⊠			
						No informa	tion			
D2 Sci	ientific Authority	y (SA)								
8b		rch activities been	undertaken by the	e SA(s) in	relation to non	Yes				
	CITES listed sp	ecies?				No				
	ļ					No information	n 🗌			
9b		ive the species nar	ne and provide de	·· · ·······		n involved.				
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)			
	1									
	2				,					
	3									
	etc.				Ţ					
		<u>.</u>		<u>i</u>		No information	on 🕅			

11 new	How many Scientific Review Group (SRG) meetings have the SA attended?	Number	0
	Indicate any difficulties that rendered attendance to the SRG difficult: Members of the SA are mostly employed on a full-time basis with the University constraints make it difficult for them to attend; apart from financial constraints.	of Malta and thus, ti	me
D3 En	forcement Authorities		
6	Has a liaison officer/focal point for CITES been nominated within each relevant e your country?		y in
new	No		
	Unc	der consideration	
		information	
D4 Co	mmunication, information management and exchange		
1b	Is Regulation-related information in your country computerized on?	Tick if app	licable
	Annex D listed species		
	Other matters not reported on in question D4 (1) (please specify)		
3b	Do you have an electronic information system providing information on	Yes	
	Regulation-listed species?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
D			
D5 Pei	rmitting and registration procedures		
9b	Has the Management Authority charged fees for any Regulation-related matters not covered in question D5 (9)?	Yes	
	If yes, please provide details of these Regulation-related matters and the amount	No No information	
	of any such fees.	No information	
13 new	Can you indicate the percentage of permits/certificates issued that are returned to the MA after endorsement by customs?	Percentage: 100%	
		No information	
14	Has a list of places of introduction and export in your country been compiled in	Yes	
new	accordance with Article 12 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97?	No	
	If yes, please attach. Details in Annex 2 – Places of introduction and export.	No information	
15	Have persons and bodies been registered in accordance with Articles 18 and 19	Yes	
new	of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	No	\boxtimes
	If yes, please provide details.	No information	
16	Have scientific institutions been registered in accordance with Article 60 of	Yes	
new	Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	No	
1.7		No information	_
17 new	Have breeders been approved in accordance with Article 63 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	Yes No	
	If yes, please provide details.	No information	
18	Have caviar (re-)packaging plants been licensed in accordance with Article 66 (7)	Yes	
new	of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	No	
	If yes, please provide details.	No information	

19	Are phytosanitary certificates used in accordance with Article 17 of Commission	Yes	
new	Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	No	\boxtimes
	If yes, please provide details.	No information	
20	Have cases occurred where export permits and re-export certificates were issued	Yes	
new	retrospectively in accordance with Article 15 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
	If yes, please provide details.		_
D8	Areas for future work		
2h	H	Vac	
2b	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific	Yes	
2b	suspensions or negative opinions adopted by the European Commission? (In	Yes No	
2b			
2b 4b	suspensions or negative opinions adopted by the European Commission? (In accordance with Article 4 (6)). Have any constraints to implementation of the Regulation, not reported under	No	
	suspensions or negative opinions adopted by the European Commission? (In accordance with Article 4 (6)).	No No information	
	suspensions or negative opinions adopted by the European Commission? (In accordance with Article 4 (6)). Have any constraints to implementation of the Regulation, not reported under	No No information Yes	

3) Definition of Physiological and Behavioural Properties

Annex 2 - Places of introduction and export, according to Article 12 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97 for Malta

	Mode of transport (A, S, Ra, Ro, M)	Anima	als		Plants		Timber (Y/N)	Microchip reader (Y/N)	Border Inspection Post *	
Place (incl. name in English)		Live Ani	mals	Parts and Derivatives - Animals	Live Plants	Parts and Derivatives - Plants		(Y/N)		
		Commercial (I, E)	Pets (I,E)	(I,E)	(I,E)	(I,E)				
Freeport	S	n/a	n/a	I,E	I,E	I,E	Υ	Υ	Y	n/a
Malta International Airport	А	I,E	I,E	I,E	I,E	I,E	N	Υ	Y	n/a
Valletta Grand Harbour	S	I,E	I,E	I,E	I,E	I,E	Y	Υ	Y	n/a

^{*}Commission Decision of 5 September 2007 amending Decisions 2001/881/EC and 2002/459/EC as regards the list of border inspection posts

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App.	EC Annex	S	SPECIES	Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
		FAUNA							
		Mammalia							
		Pholidota							
		Manidae							
II	В	Manis sp.	POW	60 number	MT	NP	Т	U	3 packets of Tibetan incense containing 20 sticks each imported without CITES documents were seized. Case: Pending
		Cetacea							
		Balaenidae							
I	Α	Cetacea sp.	BON	2 number	МТ	AN	Р	I	Claimed to be antique whale bone brush sent to St Maarten to be transformed into 2 necklaces. No CITES documents. Two pendants were seized. Case: Pending
		Carnivora							
		Ursidae							
II		Ursus americanus	s BOD	1	МТ	US	Р	W	No CITES documents presented. Case pending.
		Lutrinae							
II	В	Lontra canadensis	s BOD	1 number	MT	US	Р	W	No CITES documentation presented. Case pending.

App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
		Felidae							
II		Lynx canadensis	BOD	1	МТ	US	Р	W	Found in possession of 1specimen of Lynx canadensis and 1 specimen of Lynx rufus. No CITES documents could be presented. Case: Police vs Michael Desira Court hearing: 10th April 2013, Decision: Euro 650 fine + confiscation of specimen.
II	В	Lynx rufus	BOD	1	MT	US	P	W	Found in possession of 1specimen of Lynx canadensis and 1 specimen of Lynx rufus. No CITES documents could be presented. Case: Police vs Michael Desira Court hearing: 10th April 2013, Decision: Euro 650 fine + confiscation of specimen.
		Proboscidae							
I	Α	Elephantidae Loxodonta africana	CAR	11 number	МТ	US	т	I	Claimed to be pre-convention on invoice, but no official document. No CITES documents. Items were seized. Case: Pending
		Aves							
		Falconiformes							
		Accipitridae							
II		Buteo buteo	SKI	1 number	MT	GB	P	W	No CITES documents presented. Case: Police vs Peter Reuben Agius Date of hearing: 10th April 2013. Decision: Euro 700 fine + confiscation of specimen.

App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
II		Buteo buteo	SKI	1 number	MT	GB	Р	W	No CITES documents presented. Case: Police vs Ronald Caruana Date of hearing: 10th April 2013. Decision: Euro 700 fine + confiscation of specimen.
II	А	Pernis apivorus	BOD	1 number	МТ	EG	Р	W	Found in possession of 3 bird carcases, two of which were CITES species. No CITES documentation presented. Case: Police vs Adam Attard Date of hearing: 12th June 2013. Decision: Euro 1000 fine + confiscation of specimen.
		Reptilia							
		Testudinata							
		Testudinidae							
II	Α	Testudo graeca	LIV	5 number	LY	LY	Т	W	Caught at the Maltese Harbour smuggling Testudo greaca, Testudo hermanni and Testudo kleimanni. Tortoises seized. Case: Pending
II	Α	Testudo hermanni	LIV	30 number	LY	LY	Т	W	Caught at the Maltese Harbour smuggling Testudo greaca, Testudo hermanni and Testudo kleimanni. Tortoises seized. Case: Pending
I	А	Testudo kleinmanni	LIV	20 number	LY	LY	Т	W	Caught at the Maltese Harbour smuggling Testudo greaca Testudo hermanni and Testudo kleimanni. Tortoises seized. Case: Pending
		Crocodylia							
		Alligatoridae							
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	1 number	MT	СН	Т	С	No CITES documents accompanied consignment as per requirements of EC Regulation 338/97. Watch strap seized. Case: Pending

App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	1 number	MT	US	Р	U	No CITES Documents found with package. Watch Strap seized. Case: Pending

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App.	EC Annex	SPECIES	Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
		7 A						

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Compositae (Asteraceae)

Found as an ingredient of herbal preparations declared as Kusta. Consignment was not accompanied by CITES documents. Products containing Kusta were seized. MED 20 kg MT IN Т Saussurea costus Case: Pending

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App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
		FAUNA							
		Aves							
		Ciconiiformes							
		Ardeidae							
I	Α	Ardea alba	SKI	7 number	MT	RO	Р	W	Found in possession of 12 skins of Buteo lagopus, 7 skins of Ardea alba, 1 skin of Circus cyaneus and 2 skins of Asio otus. No CITES documentation presented. Case pending.
		Falconiformes							
		Accipitridae							
II		Buteo lagopus	SKI	12 number	MT	RO	Р	W	Found in possession of 12 skins of Buteo lagopus, 7 skins of Ardea alba, 1 skin of Circus cyaneus and 2 skins of Asio otus. No CITES documentation presented. Case pending.
II		Circus cyaneus	SKI	1 number	MT	RO	Р	W	Found in possession of 12 skins of Buteo lagopus, 7 skins of Ardea alba, 1 skin of Circus cyaneus and 2 skins of Asio otus. No CITES documentation presented. Case pending.
		Strigiformes							
		Strigidae							
II		Asio otus	SKI	2 number	MT	RO	Р	W	Found in possession of 12 skins of Buteo lagopus, 7 skins of Ardea alba, 1 skin of Circus cyaneus and 2 skins of Asio otus. No CITES documentation presented. Case pending.

App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
		Reptilia							
		Testudinata							
		Testudinidae							
II	Α	Testudo graeca	LIV	15 number	МТ	LY	Т	W	Caught at Malta International Airport smuggling live tortoises Case: Police vs Jaloud Mahmud Omar Date of hearing: 22nd January 2012 Decision: four years imprisonment suspended for two years and confiscation of live specimens
I	Α	Testudo kleinmanni	LIV	15 number	МТ	LY	Т	W	Caught at Malta International Airport smuggling live tortoises Case: Police vs Jaloud Mahmud Omar Date of hearing: 22nd January 2012 Decision: four years imprisonment suspended for two years and confiscation of live specimens
		Crocodylia							
		Alligatoridae							
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	3 number	MT	СН	Т	W	CITES Export Permit but no CITES Import Permit as per requirements of EC Regulation 338/97. Watch strap seized. Case: Pending
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	2 number	МТ	СН	Т	U	Watches sent to Switzerland for repairs without CITES certificates and were sent back to Malta from Switzerland again without CITES certificates. By coincidence these were intercepted by the CITES Team when the said straps were found accompanying another watch strap which had the necessary certificates. Watch straps seized. Case: Pending
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	2 number	MT	СН	Т	С	CITES Export Permit but no CITES Import Permit as per requirements of EC Regulation 338/97. Watch strap seized. Case: Pending

App.	EC Annex	SPECIES		Quantity	Country of Destination	Country of Export or Re- Export	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
II	В	Alligator mississippiensis	LPS	1 number	MT	US	P	U	No CITES Documents found with postal package. Watch strap seized. Case: Pending
		Anthozoa							
		Scleractinia							
		Acroporidae							
II	В	Acropora spp	COR	1 number	MT	TH	Р	W	No CITES Documentation. Coral seized Case: Pending
		Pocilloporidae							
II	В	Pocillopora sp.	COR	1 number	MT	TH	Р	W	No CITES Documentation. Coral seized. Case: Pending

App.	EC	SPECIES	Quantity	Country of	Country of	Purpose	Source	REMARKS
	Annex			Destination	Export or Re-			
					Export			

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Thymeleaceae (Aquilariacea

II B Aquilaria spp. CHP 24 number MT KE P U No CITES Documentation. Incense seized. Case: Pending