GOVERNMENT OF ERITREA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE REGULATORY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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CITES CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

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A. General information

Party	The State of Eritrea
Period covered in this report:	2013-2014
Details of agency preparing this report	Department of Regulatory Services of the Ministry of Agriculture
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Natural Resources Regulatory Division, Department of Regulatory Services of the Ministry of Agriculture.

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-			eady been provided	Yes (• /			
	under the CITES National I					partly)		\boxtimes	
	If yes, ignore questions 2, 3	and 4.			No	No			
					No in	formation	n/unknown		
2	If your country has planr following details:	ed, drafted	l or enacte	ed any CITES-relev	vant legisl	ation, pl	ease provide	the	
	Title and date: Interna Wildlife Fauna and Fle 2006			Status: In draft form					
	Brief description of contents					ion			
3	Is enacted legislation availa	ble in one of	f the worki	ng languages of the	Yes				
	Convention?				```	ot yet, w		\bowtie	
							roclaim the		
					0	legislation)			
						No information			
4	If yes, please attach a copy		gislative te	ext or key legislative	-	tion attac			
	provisions that were gazette	a.			-	provided previously			
						not available,			
5	Which of the following issu your country has adopted for				neasures th	at Tick	c all applicable	e	
	(in accordance with Article		-						
	(in accordance with Article		The condit	/	The		prohibition of	c.	
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No informa		
	Trade	\boxtimes			\boxtimes			411011	
	Taking	\boxtimes			\boxtimes				
	Possession	\boxtimes			\boxtimes				
	Transport	\boxtimes			\boxtimes				
	Other (specify)								
	Additional comments								

6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?Tick all applicable						
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information		
	Powers of CITES authorities			\boxtimes			
	Clarity of legal obligations			\boxtimes			
ĺ	Control over CITES trade			\boxtimes			
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use						
	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: As the implementation	he National CITE	S legislation is not	gazetted, we h	ave problem of		
7	If no review or assessment has taken pl reporting period?	ace, is one planne	d for the next	Yes No No	information		
8	Please provide details if available: Has there been any review of legislation	n on the following	subjects in	Ticka	ll applicable		
0	relation to implementation of the Conve		subjects in	i ick a	ii applicable		
	Subject		Yes	No	No information		
	Access to or ownership of natural resou	irces		\boxtimes			
	Harvesting			\boxtimes			
	Transporting of live specimens			\boxtimes			
	Handling and housing of live specimen	S		\boxtimes			
	Please provide details if available:						
9	Please provide details of any additional	measures taken:					
	No additional measures has been taken						

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No	No information				
1	1 Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been undertaken?							
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:							
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets		\square					
	Border controls	\boxtimes						
	Other (specify)							
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?	\boxtimes						
3	3 If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex. Several times for illegal killing of wildlife species and cutting of trees.							
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?							

5	If information available:		Num	ber	
	Significant seizures/confiscations	Г	1		
	Total seizures/confiscations			_	
	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?	\square]
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please of wildlife species	attach det	ails as Ann	ex. Illegal	killing
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?]
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please a	ttach detai	ls as Annex		
10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?		1	Tick if app	licable
	 Return to country of export 				
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 				
	 Designated rescue centres 				
	 Approved, private facilities 				
	– Euthanasia				
	 Other (specify) Collection of confiscated goods for training 	2			
	Comments:				
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed informatic significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?	or	Yes No Not applicable No information		
	Comments:				
12	Has your country been involved in cooperative enforcement activities we other countries		Yes No		
	(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance joint operation, etc.)?	e e	No information		
13	If Yes, please give a brief description: Customs collaborate with pol countries (e.g. joint operations with neighbouring countries. Also bodies (WCO, Europol etc.) is going on. Joint operation with INT	o coopera			nal
14	Has your country offered any incentives to local communities to assist		Yes		
	enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and convict offenders?	tion of	No		\boxtimes
			No inform	ation	
15	If Yes, please describe:				
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcemen	.t?	Yes		
			No		\boxtimes
			Not appli	cable	\Box
			No inform	ation	
	Comments:				
17	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:				

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the MA(s) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES	Yes No	
	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	\boxtimes
	designated?	No	
		No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead M Department of Regulatory Services of the Ministry of Agriculture.	IA in the CITES Direc	ctory.
5	How many staff work in each MA? 10		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related	Yes	
	matters?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
	If yes, please give estimation		
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if a	pplicable
	– Administration		\boxtimes
	– Biology		\boxtimes
	– Economics/trade		
	– Law/policy		
	- Other (specify) Conservation biologist, Zoologist, foresters, university		
	Lecturers, staffs from marine college, staffs from Ministry of fishery		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to	Yes	
	CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species	No	\square
	identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	No information	
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of researc	h involved.	

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there beer	any changes in t	he designation of	or contact	information	Yes	
			ich are not yet refl			No	
	Directory?	5	2			No informatio	n 🗆
2	If Yes, please u	se the opportunity	to provide those	changes he	ere.		
3	Has your counts	ry designated a Se	cientific Authority	indonanda	ant from the	Yes	
5	Management A		Authority	macpenae		No	
	6	5				No information	
4) in your country?			Ti	ck if applicat
		nent institution	/	ć	1)		\boxtimes
			titution (assist in	case of ne	ed)		
		ent committee	, . ,.				
		individuals with c	ertain expertise				
_	– Other (s						
5	-		on CITES issues				
		5 1	atic animals (3 st	,			
		2	estrial wild anim	als (4 stat	ts)		
(uthority for plar	· ·		7 1 4 1	37	
6	matters?	te the percentage	of time they spend	i on CITES	s related	Yes No	
	mutters.					No informatio	
	If ves, please gi	ve estimation 5-1	0 %			no mornatio	
7			taff within the SA((s)?		Ti	ck if applicat
	– Botany						\boxtimes
	– Ecology	,					\boxtimes
	– Fisherie	s					\boxtimes
	– Forestry	r					\boxtimes
	– Welfare						
	– Zoology	7					\boxtimes
	– Other (s	pecify)					
	– No info	ormation					
8	Have any rese	arch activities b	een undertaken	by the SA	(s) in	Yes	<u> </u>
	relation to CIT			J	× /	No	
						No informatio	
9	If Yes, please g	ive the species na	me and provide de	etails of the	e kind of researc	h involved.	
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other
		1 opulations	Distribution	take		megarirauc	(specify)
	1						
	2						
	3						
	etc.						
						No information	on 🗌
10			r scientific resear	rch been s	submitted to	Yes	
	the Secretariat	under Resolution	on Conf. 12.2?			No	\boxtimes
	1					No information	on 🗖

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 No No information	
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email).		
3	Has your country established a specialized unit responsible for CITES- related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)?	Yes No Under consideration No information	
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement:		
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is CIT	Tick if applicable					
	– Monitoring an						
	– Monitoring an	\boxtimes					
	 Permit issuance 	e					\boxtimes
	– Not at all						
	– Other (specify	·)					
2	Do the following auth	orities ha	ave access t	o the Intern	et?		Tick if applicable
	Authority	Yes, conti nuou s and unre strict ed acce ss	Yes, but only through a dial- up connect ion	Yes, but only through a differe nt office	So me offi ces onl y	Not at all	Please provide details where appropriate
	Management Authority						
	Scientific Authority				\square		
	Enforcement Authority						
3	Do you have an electr species? We use EU V					ormation	on CITES Yes No No information

4	If Yes, does it provide information on:		Tick if applicable	e		
	– Legislation (national, regional or internatio]		
	– Conservation status (national, regional, international)?					
	– Other (please specify)?]	
5	Is it available through the Internet:		Yes	;	<u> </u>	
	-		No]	
			Not	t applicable	,]	
			No	information	I	
	Please provide URL:					
6	Do the following authorities have access to the foll	lowing publications?		Tick if applicable		
	Publication	Management Authority	Scientific Authority	Enforcement Authority		
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)	\boxtimes	\boxtimes			
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices (CD-ROM)		\boxtimes			
	Identification Manual		\boxtimes			
	CITES Handbook		\boxtimes			
7	If not, what problems have been encountered to ac	cess to the mentioned	l information?			
	The enforcement Authority is not well established					
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Mana	agement Authority on	:	Tick if applicable	e	
	– Mortality in transport?				ļ	
	– Seizures and confiscations?			\boxtimes		
	– Discrepancy in number of items in permit and 1	number of items actua	ally traded?		ļ	
	Comments:					
9	Is there a government website with information on requirements?	CITES and its	Yes		ļ	
	requirements.		No			
			NO II	formation]	
	If Yes, please give the URL: http://www.envir.ee/l					
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of th bring about better accessibility to and understandin requirements to the wider public?			Tick if applicable	e	
İ	 Press releases/conferences]	
	 Newspaper articles, radio/television appear 	ances		\boxtimes		
	– Brochures, leaflets					
	– Presentations					
	– Displays					
	 Information at border crossing points 			\boxtimes		
	– Telephone hotline					
	– Other (specify)					
	Please attach copies of any items as Annex.					
11	Please provide details of any additional measures t	aken:				

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

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1	Have any changes in permit for empowered to sign CITES pern Secretariat?	Yes No Not applicable No information						
	If no, please provide details of a							
	Changes in permit format:							
	Changes in designation or sign			6				
2	To date, has your country devel following?	oped written perm	it procedur	1	•	the	Tick if applicable	
				Ye		No	No informat	ion
	Permit issuance/acceptance				1			
	Registration of traders					\boxtimes		
	Registration of producers						\square	
3	Please indicate how many CITE (Note that actual trade is norma documents).					•	•	ıed
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re-ex	aport	Other	Comment	S
	How many documents were issued?	None	None	No	ne	None	Other:	
	How many applications were denied because of severe ommissions or mis- information?						None	
	Year 2						Other:	
	How many documents were issued?	None	None	No	ne	None		
	How many applications were denied because of severe ommissions or mis- information?	None	None	No	ne	None	None	
4	Were any CITES documents that of severe ommissions or mis-in:		cancelled	and rep	placed	because		
5	If Yes, please give the reasons f	for this.						
6	Please give the reasons for recountries.	ejection of CITES	documen	ts from	n othe	er	Tick if applicable	
		ason			Yes	No	No informat	ion
	Technical violations							
	Suspected fraud							
	Insufficient basis for finding of	non-detriment						
	Insufficient basis for finding of	legal acquisition						
	Other (specify)							
7	Are harvest and/or export que issuance of permits?	otas as a managen	nent tool i	n the p	roced	lure for	Yes No No information	
8	Comments How many times has the Scient	ific Authority beer	requested	to pros	vide o	ninions? 4	5 times	
9	Has the Management Authority related CITES activities?	÷	<u>,</u>	-			Tick if ap	plicable
	 Issuance of CITES doct 	uments:						\boxtimes

	 Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species: 					
	- Harvesting of CITES-listed species :					
	 Use of CITES-listed species: 					
	 Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species: 					
	 Importing of CITES-listed species: 	\square				
	 Other (specify): Exporting of CITES listed species 	\boxtimes				
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees.					
	1. Import/export/ re-export of wildlife species for research, exhibition and educational purpose Nakfa 50 (=3.3 USD)					
	2. Import/export/re-export for commercial purpose Nakfa 200 (=13 USD) /page					
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation?	Tick if applicable				
	– Entirely:					
	– Partly:	\boxtimes				
	– Not at all:					
	– Not relevant:					
	Comments:					
12	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:					

D6 Capacity building

1	Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?Tick if applicable								
	Increased budget for activities		Improv networ	vement o rks	f nati				
	Hiring of more staff			se of tec pring/enf	pment for				
	Development of implementation tools		Comp	uterisatio					
	– Other (specify)								
2	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>recipient</i> of any of the following capacity building activities provided by external sources?								
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.	Oral or writt en advi ce/g	Tech nical assis tanc e	Fina ncial assis tanc e	T ra in g	O th er (s p e	What were the external sources?		
	Target group	uida nce				ci fy)			
	Staff of Management Authority	\boxtimes							
	Staff of Scientific Authority								
	Staff of enforcement authorities								
	Traders								
	NGOs								
	Public								
	Other (specify)								

3 Have the CITES authorities in your country been the *providers* of any of the following capacity building activities?

	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.	Oral or writt en advi ce/g	Tech nical assis tanc e	Fina ncial assis tanc e	T ra in g	O th er (s p e	Details
	Target group	uida nce				ci fy)	
	Staff of Management Authority						
	Staff of Scientific Authority						
	Staff of enforcement authorities						
	Traders						
	NGOs						
	Public				\boxtimes		
	Other parties/International meetings	\boxtimes					
	Other (specify)						
4	Please provide details of any additional mea	asures ta	ken				

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES					ES? Y		/es	
	1							lo	\boxtimes
		N	lo information						
2	If Yes, which age	encies are	represent	ed and how	often does	it meet?			
3	If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the MA to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs, SA(s), Customs, police, others):								
		Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Other (specify)	
	Meetings				\square				
	Consultations				\boxtimes				
4	At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:					Tick if applicable		Details if ava	ilable
	Agencies for development and trade								
	Provincial, state	or territor	rial authori	ties			\boxtimes		
	Local authorities or communities						\boxtimes		
	Indigenous peoples				\boxtimes				
	Trade or other private sector associations								
	NGOs								
	Other (specify)								

5	To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements for institutional cooperation related to CITES been agreed between the MA and the following agencies?	Tick if app	olicable
	SA		
	Customs		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Has your country participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if app	olicable
	Workshops		\boxtimes
	Meetings		\boxtimes
	Other (specify)		
7	Has your country encouraged any non-Party to Yes		
	accede to the Convention? No		
	No information		\square
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to	Yes	
	another country in relation to CITES?	No No information	
		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 Manual?	Yes	
		No No information	
		No information	\square
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	Yes	
	multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related	No No information	\boxtimes
	Conventions)?	No information	
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D8 Areas for future work

1	1 Are any of the following activities needed to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level and what is the respective level of priority?						
	Activity	High	Medium	Low			
	Increased budget for activities	\square					
	Hiring of more staff	\square					
	Development of implementation tools	\square					
	Improvement of national networks	\square					
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement	\square					
	Computerisation	\square					
	Other (specify)						
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific	Yes		\boxtimes			
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?						
		No information					
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty? The CITES legislation is no	t yet fina	lized				
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 technical assistance is required to finalize the CITES legislation	required	. Financial;	and			
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms within the	Yes					
	Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No					
	Personal and household effects	No inf	ormation				
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.						
8	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:						

E. General feedback

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

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

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