A. General information

Party	Jamaica
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2016	January 1,2015 to December 31, 2016
Details of agency preparing this report	National Environment & Planning Agency (NEPA) 10 Caledonia Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I.
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Scientific Authority

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been provided under the CITES National Legislation Project?					Yes (fully) Yes (partly) No No information/unknown				
2	If any CITES-relevant le following details: Yes	egislation	has beer	planned, drafte	ed or ena	cted, ple	ease provide	the		
	Title and date:		9	Status:	Work ir	n progre	ss			
	Brief description of contents: Regulations under the Endangered Species (Protection, Conservation and Regulation of Trade) Act, 2000.									
	Is enacted legislation available in one of the working languages of the Convention?					Yes No No information				
4	4 If yes, please attach a copy of the full legislative text or key legislative provisions that were gazetted.					rovided previously not available, will send later				
5								olicable		
		Tł	ne condit	ions for:	The o	complet	e prohibition	of:		
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No inform	ation		
	Trade									
	Taking									
	Possession									
!	Transport									
	Other (specify)									

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	Additional comments: Review a Protection Act.	and amendmen	ts of the sche	dules <i>under t</i>	he Wild Life		
6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?						
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information		
	Powers of CITES authorities	\boxtimes					
	Clarity of legal obligations	\boxtimes					
	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						
	Implementing regulations	\boxtimes					
	Coherence within legislation	\boxtimes					
	Other (please specify):	\boxtimes					
	Please provide details if available were amended by regulation Conservation, and Regulation formulated.	and an assess	ment of the E	indangered S	pecies (Protection,		
7	If no review or assessment has	•	one planned	Yes			
	for the next reporting period? N/	A		No			
					ormation		
	Please provide details if available						
8	Has there been any review of legrelation to implementation of the		-		Tick all applicable		
	Subject		Yes	No	No information		
	Access to or ownership of natur	al resources					
	Harvesting						
	Transporting of live specimens						
	Handling and housing of live spe						
	Please provide details if availa Conservation and Regulation of						
9	Please provide details of any add	ditional measur	e taken:				

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No info	No ormation			
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	\boxtimes					
	Border controls	\boxtimes					
	Other (specify)						
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?						
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of attach details.	violations?	f available, _l	olease			
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?						
5	If information available:		Number	•			
	☐ Significant seizures/confiscations	N	ot Applicabl	е			
	☐ Total seizures/confiscations						
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details.						
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?						
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If av	ailable, plea	se attach de	etails as			
	Annex.						
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?						
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the	e results? Pl	ease attach	details			
	as Annex.						
10	How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed of	of?	Tick if a	oplicable			
	- Return to country of export						
	Public zoos or botanical gardens						
	- Designated rescue centres						
	Approved, private facilitiesEuthanasia						
	Other (specify)						
	Comments: Birds illegal traded were euthanized.						

11	Has detailed information been provided to the Secretariat on significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?	Yes No Not applicable No information	
	Comments:		-
12	Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities with other countries	Yes No	
	(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	No information	
13	If Yes, please give a brief description:		
14	Have any incentives been offered to local communities to assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction of offenders?	No No information	
15	If Yes, please describe:		
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement?	Yes No Not applicable No information	
	Comments:		
17	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes her	re.	
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated? There is one Management Authority, the Natural Resources Conservation Authority.	Yes No No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identifie CITES Directory. Natural Resources Conservation Authority, c/c and Planning Agency, 10 Caledonia Ave., Kingston 5, Jamaica	o National Environm	
5	How many staff work in each MA? 8		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters?	Yes No	
	If yes, please give estimation - 7 hours weekly	No information	
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)? - Administration	Tick if app	\boxtimes
	– Biology		\boxtimes
	- Economics/trade		
	- Law/policy		
	- Other (specify) <i>Enforcement</i>		
	- Other (specify) - Public Relations		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g.	Yes	
	labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	No No information	
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the Strombus gigas, Cyclura collei, sea cucumbers and corals.	kind of research inv	olved.
10	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		
	The output from the Queen Conch catch per unit effort was a annual export quota for the reporting period. The Strombus was revised. A management plan was prepared for the Yello collaria) and Black-billed parrot(Amazona agilis).	gigas managemen	t plan

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the SA(s) which are not yet reflected in the		
	CITES Directory?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those char Applicable	nges here.	Not
3	Is the designated Scientific Authority independent from the Management Authority?	Yes	
	ividing smorte rectionly.	No	
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s)?	Tick if applicable	
	- Government institution		
	 Academic or research institution 		\boxtimes
	- Permanent committee		
	 Pool of individuals with certain expertise 		\boxtimes
	- Other (specify)		
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? Three (3)		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters	Yes	\boxtimes
		No	
	If yes, please give estimation : six (6) hours weekly	No information	

What are	the skills/expertis	Tick if applicable							
- Botar	- Botany								
- Ecolo	gy					\boxtimes			
- Fishe	ries								
- Fores	try								
- Welfa	are								
– Zoolo	ogy					\boxtimes			
- Othe	r (specify) Veteri	narian and Entor	mologist/lo	lentifier		\boxtimes			
– No info	rmation								
	search activities been un		in relation to	CITES species?	⁄es	\boxtimes			
Sea cucumb	ers and Strombus gigas	DNA profile.		١	No				
				١	No informati	on 🗌			
If Yes, ple	ease give the spec	cies name and p	rovide deta	ails of the kin	d of researc	ch involved.			
Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)			
Sea Cucumbe	species er present	Jamaica's swallow water populations	yes	no	yes	Small scale poaching for domestic use.			
Marine Turtles	Index beaches identified	Preliminary distribution map is available	no	no	no	Small scale poaching for domestic use.			
Strombus gigas		Pedro Bank using the Catch per Unit Effort Data.	annual	yes annual export quota declared	no	Reduction in the level poaching on the Pedro Bank.			
(Queen Conch)	Composition	Jamaica's offshore banks	GOOIGIOG			OI III.			

	[Please continue on separate sheet, as necessary.]	No informati	on 🗍
10	Have any project proposals for scientific research been submunder Resolution Conf. 12.2?	itted to the Secretariat Yes	
		No	\boxtimes
		No informati	on 🗌
11	Please provide details of any additional measu	ires taken: Not Appli	icable
D3 En	forcement Authorities		
1	Has the Secretariat been informed of any ent		\boxtimes
	authorities that have been designated for the confidential enforcement information related	. 100	
	Community of the Commun	No informatio	n 🗌
2	If No, please designate them here (with address Applicable	ess, phone, fax and email).	Not
3	Is there a specialized unit responsible for CIT	ES-related Yes	\boxtimes
	enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department the police, public prosecutor's office)?	nent, Customs, No	
	the police, public prosecutor's office)?	Under conside	eration 🗌
		No informatio	n 🗌
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency and Planning Agency, Ministry of Economic		ronment
5	Please provide details of any additional meas	sures taken: Not App	olicable
D4 Co	mmunication, information management and ex	rchange	
1	To what extent is CITES information compute	erized? Tick	if applicable
	- Monitoring and reporting of data on legal	trade	\boxtimes
	- Monitoring and reporting of data on illegal	trade	
	- Permit issuance		
	- Not at all		
	- Other (specify) Trade Register		
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2	Do the following authorities have access to the Internet? Tick if applications and applications are the internet in the inter							plicable		
	Authority	Yes, continuous and unrestricted	Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	Some offices only	Not at all	•	Please provide details where appropriate		
	Management Authority	\boxtimes								
	Scientific Authority									
	Enforcement Authority									
3	Is there an electro on CITES species		ormation s	system pr	rovidin	g inforn	1	Yes No No informatio		
4	If Yes, does it prov	vide inf	ormation	on:				Tick if app		
	 Legislation (nat 				onal)?)				
	 Conservation National database 	status e	s (nation	nal, regi	onal,	intern	ational)?		\boxtimes	
	- Other (please s	pecify)	?							
5	Is it available thro	ugh the	e Internet:				`	Yes		
	Endangered Speci	•			tion ai	nd Regu	<i>llation of</i>	No		
	Trade) Act, 2000	and ap	plication	rorm.				Not applicable		
							ľ	No informatio	n 📙	
	Please provide UR					. 11 !	_	T: -1- :61	l. l .	
6	Do the authorities publications?	indica	ted nave a	access to	the fo	ollowing]	Tick if appl	icable	
	Pub	olication	า			gement nority	Scientific Authority	1		
	2011 Checklist of	CITES	Species			\boxtimes	\square]	
	2011 Checklist of Annotated Appen		•	and		\boxtimes				
	Identification Man	nual				\boxtimes		\boxtimes]	
	CITES Handbook									

7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access Applicable	this	information?	Not
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authon:	ority	Tick if appl	icable
	- Mortality in transport?			
	- Seizures and confiscations?			
	 Discrepancies in number of items in permits and number of it actually traded? 	ems		
	Comments: Seizure of live specimens at ports of entry and ille imported.	egally		
9	Is there a government website with information on CITES and	Yes		\boxtimes
	its requirements?	No		
		No	information	
	If Yes, please give the URL: http://www.nepa.gov.jm			
10			Tick if applic	cable
	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?			
	- Press releases/conferences (meeting with traders)			\boxtimes
	- Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances			
	- Brochures, leaflets			
	- Presentations			\boxtimes
	- Displays			
	 Information at border crossing points 			
	- Telephone hotline (General)			\boxtimes
	- Other (specify) Website			\boxtimes
	Please attach copies of any items. Time signals were aired on some national radio stations for World Wildlife Day, and exhibitions and a CITES Toolkit for Customs Officers at the Jamaica Customs Agency were prepared.			
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:			

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in pern signatures of officials empermits/certificates been If no, please provide detain Changes in permit form Changes in designations	res ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐				
2	To date, has your country					Fick if applicable
۷	for any of the following?	developed will	ren benn	•		
				Yes	No	No information
	Permit issuance/acceptan	ce				
	Registration of traders			\square		
	Registration of producers	· OITEO de euro				Lin the two year
3	Please indicate how many period? (Note that actual question refers to issued	trade is reporte			port by s	
	Year 1 Jan to Dec. 2015	Import or introduction from the sea	Export Permit	Re-export	Other Certifi cate	Comments
	How many documents were issued?	N/A	92	-	98	Pre-Convention Certificate 1
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?	N/A				
	Year 2 Jan to Dec. 2016 How many documents were issued?	N/A	112	3	40	Import Permit - 1
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?	N/A				
4	Were any CITES documer replaced because of serio				and	Yes \Boxed \Boxen \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxed \Boxe
5	If yes, please give the reareturned as the source wa			ts were is:	sued but	

6	Please give the reasons for rejection of CITES documents from other countries. Certificates were issued but Export Permits were requested by the						
	importing country.				-		
	Reason	Yes	No	No informa	ation		
	Technical violations						
	Suspected fraud	Ш					
	Insufficient basis for finding of non-detriment						
	Insufficient basis for finding of legal acquisition	Ц					
	Other (specify) Export permits were requested by importing country.						
7	Are harvest and/or export quotas as a management to	ool in the	;	Yes	\boxtimes		
	procedure for issuance of permits?			No			
				No			
				information			
	Comments Queen Conch (Strombus gigas)						
8	How many times has the Scientific Authority been red <i>At all times.</i>	quested t	o prov	/ide opinions?			
9	Has the MA charged fees for permit issuance, registra related CITES activities?	tion or		Tick if app	olicable		
	- Issuance of CITES documents:						
	 Licensing or registration of operations that produce species: 	e CITES					
	 Harvesting of CITES-listed species : 						
	Use of CITES-listed species:				\Box		
	 Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species: 				\boxtimes		
	 Importing of CITES-listed species: 				\boxtimes		
	- Other (specify):				П		
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees.						
	Certificates JA\$5,000;						
	Import Permit JA\$5,000 - JA\$10,000;						
	Export Permit for Queen Conch meat and opercula Ja	4\$15,00	0;				
	Export of Queen Conch shell and other by-product JA	4\$5,000	;				
	Export Permit \$5000 - JA\$10,000;						
	Individual Export Quota for Queen Conch JA\$5,000.		<u> </u>				
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implement CITES or wildlife conservation?	ation of		Tick if app	olicable		
	- Entirely:				\boxtimes		
	- Partly:						
	- Not at all:						
	- Not relevant:						
	Comments:						
12	Please provide details of any additional measures take	n:					
	Fees are used to fund research, enforcement	t and					

administrative	activities	includina	the	meetings	of	<i>th</i> e
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Scientific Auth	ority.					

D6 Capacity building

1	Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?									
	Increased budget for activities	\boxtimes	Impro netwo	vement orks	t of n	atior	onal			
	Hiring of more staff			ase of [.] oring/e			equipment for nt	\boxtimes		
	Development of implementation tools	\boxtimes	Comp	uteriza	tion			\boxtimes		
	- Other (specify)									
2	2 Have the CITES authorities received or benefited from any of the following capa building activities provided by external sources?						following capacity			
	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						Caribbean Wild Enforcement Netw (CaribWEN)	dlife vork		
	Staff of Scientific Authority									
	Staff of enforcement authorities									
	Traders									
	NGOs						Not Applica	able		
	Public									
	Other (specify)						Not Applica	able		

3	Have the CITES authorities been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity building activities?								
	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		\boxtimes		\boxtimes				
	Staff of Scientific Authority		\boxtimes						
	Staff of enforcement authorities	\boxtimes							
	Traders	\boxtimes							
	NGOs								
	Public								
	Other parties/International meetings								
	Other (specify)	\boxtimes					Provided training for game Wardens		
4	Please provide details of any addit Officers was developed and present								

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES?						Yes No No informa	ation \square	
							140 1111011111	ation	
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet? Meetings are held subject to issues (export quotas, policy and enforcement): Fisheries Division, Jamaica Constabulary Force; Scientific Authority, Management Authority and industrial traders of Queen Conch.								
3	I	uthority	to ensure	e co-ordi	meetings or cons nation among Cl		•		
		Daily	Weekly	Mont hly	Annually	No ne	No information	Other (specify)	
	Meetings				\boxtimes				
	Consultations				\boxtimes				
4		At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:					Tick if pplicable	Details if available	
	Agencies for de	evelopm	ent and tr	ade		\boxtimes			
	Provincial, state	e or terr	itorial auth	norities					
	Local authoritie	s or cor	mmunities				\boxtimes		
	Indigenous peoples 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 Management Authority and other agencies?		cable
	Scientific Authority		
	Customs		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Have Government staff participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if appli	cable
	Workshops		\boxtimes
	Meetings		
l	Other (specify)		
7	Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to	Yes	
	accede to the Convention?	No	
		No information	
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has technical or financial assistance been provided to	Yes	
	another country in relation to CITES?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provi-	ded?	
11	Has any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES	Yes	
	Identification Manual?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
13	Have measures been taken to achieve co-ordination and reduce	Yes	\boxtimes
	duplication of activities between the national authorities for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g.	No	
	the biodiversity-related Conventions)?	No information	
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
	The national authorities for CBD, RAMSAR, Cartagena Convlocated in Ministry in the responsible for the environment.	ention and CITES	S are

15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:
	The secretariats for RAMSAR and CITES are located at the National Environment and Planning Agency.

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	\boxtimes								
	Hiring of more staff									
	Development of implementation tools		\boxtimes							
	Improvement of national networks									
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement									
	Computerization			\boxtimes						
	Other (specify)									
2	Were any difficulties encountered in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the									
				\boxtimes						
	Parties?	No info	rmation							
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?									
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention	Yes								
	arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	No								
		No info								
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention required.	or assist	ance that	is						
6	Have any measures, procedures or mechanisms been	Yes								
	identified within the Convention that would benefit from	No		\boxtimes						
	review and/or simplification?	No info	rmation							
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	
	Endangered Species (Protection, Conservation and Regulation	Not available	
	of Trade) Act - http://www.moj.gov.jm/law	Not relevant	
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed	
		Not available	\boxtimes
		Not relevant	
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
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	Enclosed	
	produced for educational or public awareness purposes	Not available	
		Not relevant	
	Comments: CITES Toolkit for Customs Officers.		