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IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

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Party	**GREECE**
Period covered in this report	**1/01/2015- 31/12/2017**
Department or agency preparing this report	**HELLENIC REPUBLIC MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR THE FORESTS AND THE FOREST ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE OF PLANNING AND FOREST POLICY DEPARTMENT FOR THE CONTROL OF THE TRADE AND TRANSPORT OF WILDLIFE AND CITES SPECIES (Central CITES Management Authority)**
Contributing departments, agencies and organizations	• **NINE (9) REGIONAL CITES MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES OF GREECE** • **INDEPENDENT AUTHORITY FOR PUBLIC REVENUE/ DIVISION OF STRATEGY OF CUSTOMS CONTROL AND OFFENCES**

GOAL 1 ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH AND IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE CONVENTION

Objective 1.1 Parties comply with their obligations under the Convention through appropriate policies, legislation and procedures.
All Aichi Targets relevant to CITES, particularly Aichi Target 2, Target 6, Target 9, Target 12, Target 17 and Target 18.

Indicator 1.1.1: The number of Parties that are in category 1 under the national legislation project.

1.1.1a	Have any CITES relevant policies or legislation been developed during the period covered in this report? Yes ☐ No ☒ If 'Yes', have you shared information with the Secretariat? Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐ If 'No', please provide details to the Secretariat with this report: All the relevant legislation have been informed to the Secretariat in the past.
1.1.1b	Does your legislation or legislative process allow easy amendment of your national law(s) to reflect changes in the CITES Appendices (e.g. to meet the 90 day implementation guidelines)? Yes ☒ No ☐ If 'No', please provide details of the constraints faced:

Objective 1.2 Parties have in place administrative procedures that are transparent, practical, coherent and user-friendly, and reduce unnecessary administrative burdens.
Aichi Target 3.

Indicator 1.2.1: The number of Parties that have adopted standard transparent procedures for the timely issuance of permits in accordance with Article VI of the Convention.

		Yes	No	No information
1.2.1a	Do you have standard operating procedures for application for and issuance of permits?	☒	☐	☐
	Are the procedures publicly available?	☒	☐	☐
1.2.1b	Do you have: Electronic data management and a paper-based permit issuance system? It is important to be mentioned that TARIC is computerized and for customs tariffs, regarding CITES species, there is a warning that CITES permits are necessary to be submitted.	☒	☐	☐

	Electronic permit information exchange between Management Authorities of some countries If 'Yes', please list countries: U.S.A., Indonesia, Solomon Islands, Russia and a number of EU Member States (e.g. U.K., Germany, Holland, Hungary, e.t.c.) regarding EU CITES Certificates.	☒	☐	☐
	Electronic permit information exchange to Management Authorities of all countries?	☐	☒	☐
	Electronic permit data exchange between Management Authorities and customs?	☒	☐	☐
	Electronic permit used to cross border with electronic validation by customs?	☐	☒	☐
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please provide information on challenges faced or issues overcome: 1. Verification of authenticity and validity of content of CITES permits, 2. Compliance with the requirements of each Member State with the issuance of the CITES permits.			
	If 'No', do you have any plans to move towards e-permitting[1]? We are under discussion and investigation with our Customs Services on that issue.	☐	☐	☐
	If you are planning to move towards e-permitting, please explain what might help you to do so:			

Indicator 1.2.2: The number of Parties making use of the simplified procedures provided for in Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP16).

1.2.2a	Has your country developed simplified procedures for any of the following?	Tick all applicable		
		Yes	No	No information
	Where biological samples of the type and size specified in Annex 4 of Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP16) are urgently required.	☐	☒	☐
	For the issuance of pre-Convention certificates or equivalent documents in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 2.	☐	☒	☐
	For the issuance of certificates of captive breeding or artificial propagation in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 5.	☐	☒	☐
	For the issuance of export permits or re-export certificates in accordance with Article IV for specimens referred to in Article VII, paragraph 4.	☐	☒	☐
	Are there other cases judged by a Management Authority to merit the use of simplified procedures? If 'Yes', please provide details:	☐	☐	☒

Objective 1.3 Implementation of the Convention at the national level is consistent with decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties.
All Aichi targets relevant to CITES, particularly Target 9, Target 14 and Target 18.

Indicator 1.3.1: The number of Parties that have implemented relevant reporting under Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties and/or Standing Committee recommendations.

1.3.1a	Has your country responded to all relevant special reporting requirements that are active during the period covered in this report, including those in the Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties, Standing Committee recommendations, and Notifications issued by the Secretariat (see [link to location on the CITES website where the reporting requirements are

[1] *e-permitting refers to the electronic (paperless) management of the permit business process, including permit application, Management Authority – Scientific Authority consultations, permit issuance, notification to customs and reporting.*

	listed])? Responses provided to ALL relevant reporting requirements ☒ Responses provided to SOME of the relevant reporting requirements ☐ Responses provided to NONE of the relevant reporting requirements ☐ No special reporting requirements applicable ☐ *Please note that some of our responses to the above reporting requirements may be included to the relevant responses of the European Commission on behalf of all EU Member States to the CITES Secretariat. (Greece is an EU Member State)
1.3.1b	Were any difficulties encountered during the period covered in this report in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties? Yes ☐ No ☒ If 'Yes', please provide details of which Resolution(s) or Decision(s), and, for each, what difficulties were / are being encountered?

Objective 1.4 The Appendices correctly reflect the conservation needs of species.
Aichi Target 1, Target12, Target 14 and Target 19.

1.4.1: The number and proportion of species that have been found to meet the criteria contained in Resolution Conf. 9.24 or its successors. This includes both the periodic review and amendment proposals.

1.4.1a	Have you undertaken any reviews of whether species would benefit from listing on the CITES Appendices? Yes ☐ No ☒ If 'Yes', please provide a summary here, or a link to the report of the work (or a copy of that report to the Secretariat if the work is not available online):

Objective 1.5 Best available scientific information is the basis for non-detriment findings.
Aichi Target 2, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 9, Target 12 and Target 14.

Indicator 1.5.1: The number of surveys, studies or other analyses undertaken by exporting countries based on the sources of information cited in Resolution Conf. 16.7 on Non-detriment findings related to:
a) the population status of Appendix-II species;
b) the trends and impact of trade upon Appendix-II species; and
c) the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species and the impact of any recovery plans.

1.5.1a	Have any surveys, studies or other analyses been undertaken <u>in your country</u> in relation to:	Yes	No	Not Applicable	If Yes, How many?
	- the population status of Appendix II species?	☐	☐	☒	☐
	- the trends and impact of trade on Appendix II species?	☐	☐	☒	☐
	- the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species?	☐	☐	☒	☐
	- the impact of any recovery plans on Appendix I species?	☐	☐	☒	☐
	Have the surveys, studies or analyses integrated relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities?	☐	☐	☒	☐

	If there are such studies that you are willing to share, please provide: Species name (scientific) A brief summary of the results of the survey, study or other analysis (e.g. population status, decline / stable / increase, off-take levels etc), or provide links to published reference material.	
1.5.1b	How are the results of such surveys, studies or other analyses used in making non-detriment findings (NDFs)?	Please tick all that apply Revised harvest or export quotas ☐ Banning export ☐ Stricter domestic measures ☐ Changed management of the species ☐ Discussion with Management Authorities ☐ Discussion with other stakeholders? ☐ Other (please provide a short summary):
1.5.1c	Do you have specific conservation measures or recovery plans for naturally occurring Appendix-I listed species? If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including, if possible, an evaluation of their impact:	Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐ No information ☒
1.5.1d	Have you published any non-detriment findings that can be shared? If 'Yes', please provide links or examples to the Secretariat within this report:	Yes ☐ No ☒
1.5.1e	Which of the following (A to F of paragraph a) x) of Resolution Conf. 16.7) do you use in making non-detriment findings?	Yes / No
	A. relevant scientific literature concerning species biology, life history, distribution and population trends.	☐ / ☐
	B. details of any ecological risk assessments conducted.	☐ / ☐
	C. scientific surveys conducted at harvest locations and at sites protected from harvest and other impacts.	☒ / ☐
	D. relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities.	☐ / ☐
	E. consultations with relevant local, regional and international experts.	☒ / ☐
	F. national and international trade information such as that available via the CITES trade database maintained by UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC), publications on trade, local knowledge on trade and investigations of sales at markets or through the Internet for example.	☒ / ☐

Indicator 1.5.2: The number of Parties that have adopted standard procedures for making non-detriment findings.

1.5.2a		Yes	No	No information
	Do you have standard procedures for making non-detriment findings in line with Resolution Conf. 16.7?	☐	☒	☐
	If 'Yes', please briefly describe your procedures for making non-detriment findings, or attach as an annex to this report, or provide a link to where the information can be found on the internet:			
1.5.2b	When establishing non-detriment findings, has any of the following guidance been used?	Please tick all that apply		
	Virtual College	☐		
	IUCN Checklist	☒		
	Resolution Conf. 16.7	☐		
	2008 NDF workshop	☐		
	Species specific guidance	☒		
	Other	☒		
	If 'Other' or 'Species specific guidance', please specify details: Checklist of CITES Species (updated version), CITES Handbook, website: www.speciesplus.net , EU-TWIX.			
1.5.2c	How often do you review and/or change your non-detriment findings?	Case by case		☐
		Annually		☐
		Every two years		☐
		Less frequently		☐
		A mix of the above		☒
	Please describe the circumstances under which non-detriment findings would be changed: It depends from the case.			

Indicator 1.5.3: The number and proportion of annual export quotas based on population surveys.

1.5.3a	Do you set annual export quotas?	Yes	☒
		No	☐
	If 'Yes', do you set quotas based on population survey, or by other means? Please specify, for each species, how quotas are set:		
	Species Name (scientific)	Population Survey?	Other, please specify
	Anguilla anguilla (0 quotas wild-taken)	☐	All EU Scientific Authorities agreed that are in no position to issue a NDF for the export of specimens of the species of *Anguilla anguilla* outside EU.
	(All 28 EU Member States have set the same annual zero export quotas for this species)		
1.5.3b	Have annual export quotas been set at levels which will ensure sustainable production and consumption?	Yes	☐
		No	☒
	If 'Yes', please describe how this fits into your non-detriment finding process:		

Objective 1.6 Parties cooperate in managing shared wildlife resources.
Aichi Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 10, Target 12 and Target 19.

Indicator 1.6.1: The number of bilateral and multilateral agreements that specifically provide for co-management of shared CITES listed species by range States.

1.6.1a	Is your country a signatory to any bilateral and/or multilateral agreements for co-management of shared species? Yes ☐ No ☒ If 'Yes', please provide brief details, including the names of the agreements, and which other countries are involved:

Indicator 1.6.2: The number of cooperative management plans, including recovery plans, in place for shared populations of CITES-listed species.

1.6.2a	Do you have any cooperative management plans, including recovery plans, in place for shared populations of CITES-listed species? Yes ☐ No ☒ If 'Yes', please list the species for which these plans are in place and provide a link or reference to a published plan for each species. Species Name (scientific) Link or reference to a published plan

Indicator 1.6.3: The number of workshops and other capacity-building activities that bring range States together to address the conservation and management needs of shared, CITES listed, species.

1.6.3a Have the CITES authorities *received or benefited* from 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[2]?
Staff of Management Authority	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	Mostly written guidance
Staff of Scientific Authority	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	Mostly written guidance
Staff of enforcement authorities	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	Mostly written guidance
Traders	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
NGOs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Public	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Other (please specify):	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	

[2] *Please provide the names of Parties, and any non-Parties, involved.*

1.6.3b	Have the CITES authorities been the *providers* of any of the following capacity-building activities to other range States?						
	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	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Staff of Scientific Authority	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Staff of enforcement authorities	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Traders	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	NGOs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Public	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Other Parties/International meetings	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Other (please specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
1.6.3c	In what ways do you collaborate with other CITES Parties?						
		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Very Often	Always	Further detail / examples
	Information exchange	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐	
	Monitoring / survey	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Habitat management	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
	Species management	☐	☐	☒	☒	☐	
	Law enforcement	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	
	Capacity building	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	
	Other (please provide details)						

Objective 1.7 Parties are enforcing the Convention to reduce illegal wildlife trade.
Aichi Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 9, Target 10, Target 12 and Target 19.

Indicator 1.7.1: The number of Parties that have, are covered by, or engaged with:
- an international enforcement strategy and/or action plan;
- formal international cooperation, such as an international enforcement network;
- a national enforcement strategy and/or action plan; and
- formal national interagency cooperation, such as a national interagency enforcement committee.

1.7.1a	Do you have, are you engaged in, or covered by:	Yes	No	No Information
	– an international enforcement strategy and/or action plan?	☒	☐	☐
	– formal international cooperation, such as an international enforcement network?	☐	☐	☐
	– a national enforcement strategy and/or action plan?	☐	☐	☐
	– formal national interagency cooperation, such as a national interagency enforcement committee?	☐	☐	☐
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please specify the level of engagement and provide additional details: Greece as an EU Member State is engaged with the EU Wildlife Action Plan 2016-2020.			

Indicator 1.7.2: The number of Parties with a process or mechanism for reviewing their enforcement strategies, and the activities taken to implement their strategies.

1.7.2a	Do you have a process or mechanism for reviewing your enforcement strategy(ies) and the activities taken to implement your strategy(ies)? If 'Yes', what do you do? If 'Yes' or 'No, but review is under consideration', which tools do you find of value?	Yes ☐ No, but review is under consideration ☐ No ☐ No information ☒
1.7.2b	Have you used the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC) Wildlife and Forest Crime Analytic Toolkit, or equivalent tools? If 'Yes', please provide feedback on the parts of the toolkit used and how useful the toolkit or equivalent tools have been. Please specify improvements that could be made: If 'No', please provide feedback on why not or what is needed to make the toolkit or equivalent tools useful to you:	Yes ☐ No, but toolkit use is under consideration ☐ No ☐ No information ☒

Indicator 1.7.3: The number of Parties that have criminal (penal) law and procedures, capacity to use forensic technology, and capacity to use specialized investigation techniques, for investigating, prosecuting, and penalizing CITES offences..

1.7.3a	Do you have law and procedures in place for investigating, prosecuting, and penalizing CITES offences as a crime? If 'Yes', please provide the title of the legislation and a summary of the penalties available : Please find attached ANNEX 1 with relevant information.	Yes ☒ No ☐ No information ☐
1.7.3b	Are criminal offences such as poaching and wildlife trafficking recognized as serious crime[3] in your country? If 'Yes', please explain what criteria must be met for poaching or wildlife trafficking offences to be treated as serious crimes:	Yes ☐ No ☒ No information ☐
1.7.3c	Do you have capacity to use forensic technology[4] to support the investigation of CITES offences? If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary of any samples from CITES-listed species that were collected and submitted to an appropriate forensic analysis facility (located in your country and/or another country) during the period covered in this report: If 'Yes', and your country has an appropriate forensic analysis facility for CITES-listed species, please indicate which species it applies to:	Yes ☐ No ☒ No information ☐
1.7.3d	Did your authorities participate in or initiate any multi-disciplinary[5] law enforcement operation(s) targeting CITES-listed species	Yes ☒

[3] *The United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines serious crime as conduct constituting an offence punishable by imprisonment for at least four years or a more serious penalty.*

[4] *Capacity to use forensic technology means the ability to collect, handle and submit samples from crime scenes involving CITES-listed species to an appropriate forensic analysis facility, located either in your country or in another country(ies).*

[5] *A multi-disciplinary law enforcement operation is one that involves officers from all relevant enforcement disciplines as appropriate, for example officers from Police, Customs and the wildlife regulatory authority. It could be either sub-national, national or international in scope.*

	during the period covered in this report?			No ☐ No information ☐	
	If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including any lessons learned which might be helpful for other Parties: Greece is making a great effort for an improving cooperation on enforcement against wildlife trafficking. A significant example was the operation that was made against wildlife trafficking in 2017 from the Greek and Spanish authorities (CITES and Customs authorities, Police), supported by Europol and Eurojust preventing the illegal export of live specimens of the species *Anguilla anguilla*.				
1.7.3e	Do you have a standard operating procedure among relevant agencies for submitting information related to CITES offences to INTERPOL and/or the World Customs Organization?			Yes ☒ No ☐ No information ☐	
1.7.3f	Do you have legislative provisions for any of the following that can be applied to the investigation, prosecution and/or sentencing of CITES offences as appropriate?	Yes	No	No information	If yes, how many times was this used during the period covered by this report?
	General crime[6]	☐	☐	☒	
	Predicate offences[7]	☐	☐	☒	
	Asset forfeiture[8]	☐	☐	☒	
	Corruption[9]	☐	☐	☒	
	International cooperation in criminal matters[10]	☐	☐	☒	
	Organized crime[11]	☐	☐	☒	
	Specialized investigation techniques[12]	☐	☐	☒	
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain how each is used for CITES offences? Please provide a brief summary, including any lessons learned which might be helpful for other Parties:				
1.7.3g	Do you have institutional capacity to implement the legislative provisions listed in question 1.7.3f against CITES offences?			Yes ☐ No ☐ No information ☒	
	If 'No', please provide a brief summary of your major capacity-building needs:				

6 *General crime laws relate to offences such as fraud, conspiracy, possession of weapons, and other matters as set out in the national criminal code.*

7 *Article 2, paragraph (h) of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines a predicate offence is an offence whose proceeds may become the subject of any of the money-laundering offences established under the Convention.*

8 *Asset forfeiture is the seizure and confiscation of assets obtained from criminal activities to ensure that criminals do not benefit from the proceeds of their crimes.*

9 *Provisions against corruption include national laws to implement the United Nations Convention against Corruption covering offences such as bribery of officials, embezzlement or misappropriation of public funds, trading in influence and abuse of functions by public officials.*

10 *International cooperation in criminal matters includes legislation through which a formal request for mutual legal assistance and/or extradition of a person for criminal prosecution can be forwarded to another country.*

11 *Article 2, paragraph (a) of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines an organized criminal group as a structured group of three or more persons, existing for a period of time and acting in concert with the aim of committing one or more serious crimes or offences established in accordance with the Convention, in order to obtain, directly or indirectly, a financial or other material benefit.*

12 *Specialized investigation techniques are techniques that are deployed against serious and/or organized crime when conventional law enforcement techniques fail to adequately address the activities of crime groups. Examples include controlled deliveries and covert operations.*

Indicator 1.7.4: The number of Parties using risk assessment and intelligence to combat illegal trade in CITES-listed species.

1.7.4a	Do you use risk assessment to target CITES enforcement effort? The Risk Assessment in Greece on different species and products is based on the information from the EU-TWIX in order to fight effectively against the attempts of illegal trafficking in endangered species. At the same time Customs risk analysis and intelligence assessment is taking place at border controls.	Always Very often Sometimes Rarely Never No information	☐ ☒ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
1.7.4b	Do you have capacity to analyse information gathered on illegal trade in CITES-listed species?	Yes No No information	☒ ☐ ☐
1.7.4c	Do you use criminal intelligence[13] to inform investigations into illegal trade in CITES-listed species? This criminal intelligence derives from the data from the EU-TWIX.	Always Very often Sometimes Rarely Never No information	☐ ☐ ☒ ☐ ☐ ☐
1.74d	Have you implemented any supply-side activities to address illegal trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	Yes No, but activities are under development No No information	☐ ☐ ☒ ☐
1.7.4e	Have you implemented any demand-side activities to address illegal trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	Yes No, but activities are under development No No information	☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

[13] *Criminal intelligence is information that is compiled, analyzed and disseminated in an effort to anticipate, prevent and/or monitor criminal activity. Examples include information on potential suspects held in a secure database and inferences about the methods, capabilities and intentions of specific criminal networks or individuals that are used to support effective law enforcement action.*

Indicator 1.7.5: The number of administrative measures, criminal prosecutions and other court actions for CITES-related offences.

During the period covered in this report:		Yes	No	No Information
1.7.5a	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related offences?	☒	☐	☐
	If 'Yes', please indicate how many and for what types of offences. If available, please attach details: Please find attached ANNEX 2 with relevant information.			
1.7.5b	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of CITES-related offences?	☒	☐	☐
	If 'Yes', how many and for what types of offences? If available, please attach details: Please find attached ANNEX 2 with relevant information.			
1.7.5c	Have there been any other court actions against CITES-related offences?	☐	☒	☐
	If 'Yes', what were the offences involved and what were the results? Please attach details:			
1.7.5d	How were any confiscated specimens disposed of?			Tick all that apply
	– Return to country of export			☐
	– Public zoos or botanical gardens			☒
	– Designated rescue centres			☒
	– Approved private facilities			☒
	– Euthanasia			☐
	– Other (please specify):			☒
	The way of disposal is decided on a case by case basis. Before the final disposal of the specimens, these are being given to various places (rescue centres, private facilities, museums, e.t.c.) for mostly safekeeping reasons.			
	Have you encountered any challenges in disposing of confiscated specimens?			
	Do you have good practice that you would like to share with other Parties?			

Objective 1.8 Parties and the Secretariat have adequate capacity-building programmes in place. Aichi Target 1, Target 12 and Target 19.

Indicator 1.8.1: The number of Parties with national and regional training programmes and information resources in place to implement CITES including the making of non-detriment findings, issuance of permits and enforcement.

1.8.1a	Do you have information resources or training in place to support:	Yes	No
	The making of non-detriment findings?	☒	☐
	Permit officers?	☒	☐
	Enforcement officers?	☒	☐
	The Central (lead) Management Authority has produced a website for the enforcement of the CITES Convention in Greece (http://www.ypeka.gr), which is being updated and enriched on a regular basis. Apart from this, the Central CITES Management Authority is also continually provides information regarding legislation (national, regional, international), conservation status, species identification guides, enforcement issues, circulars, distribution of leaflets and posters, e.t.c.		
1.8.1b	Is the CITES Virtual College used as part of your capacity building work?	Yes	☐
		No	☒
		No information	☐
	What improvements could be made in using the Virtual College for capacity building?		
1.8.1c	Is the ICCWC Wildlife and Forest Crime Toolkit used in the	Yes	☐

	development of capacity-building programmes, or does it form part of the curriculum of such programmes? What improvements could be made in using the ICCWC Toolkit for capacity building?	No No information	☐ ☒

GOAL 2 SECURE THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MEANS FOR THE OPERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

Objective 2.1 Financial resources are sufficient to ensure operation of the Convention.

Information to be provided through records held by the Secretariat on financial management of the Convention.

Objective 2.2 Sufficient resources are secured at the national and international levels to ensure compliance with and implementation and enforcement of the Convention.
Aichi Target 1, Target 2, Target 3, Target 12, Target 19 and Target 20.

Indicator 2.2.1: The number of Parties with dedicated staff and funding for Management Authorities, Scientific Authorities and wildlife trade enforcement agencies.

2.2.1a	Do you have an approved service standard(s)[14] for your Management Authority(ies)?		Yes No	☒ ☐
	If 'No', please go to Question 2.2.1d.			
	If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?	For CITES Management Authorities		
	If 'Yes', do you have performance targets for these standards[15]?		Yes	☐
	If 'Yes', what are your performance targets?		No	☒
	Do you publish your performance against service standard targets?		Yes No	☐ ☒
	If possible, please provide your performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:			
	If you did not meet your performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:	Yes		No
	– availability of funding?	☐		☐
	– number of staff?	☒		☐
	– a shortage of skills?	☐		☐
	If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills do you need more of?			
2.2.1b	Do you have an approved service standard(s)[47] for your Scientific Authority(ies)?		Yes No	☐ ☒
	If 'No', please go to Question 2.2.1d.			
	If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?			
	If 'Yes', do you have performance targets for these standards[48]?		Yes	☐
	If 'Yes', what are your performance targets?		No	☐
	If possible, please provide your performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:			
	If you did not meet your performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:	Yes		No
	– availability of funding?	☐		☐

[14] *For example, a time frame in which you are required to provide a response on a decision to issue or not issue a permit, certificate, or re-export certificate.*

[15] *For example, 85% of all decisions will take place within the service standard.*

	– number of staff?	☐	☐
	– a shortage of skills?	☐	☐
	If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills do you need more of?		
2.2.1c	Do you have an approved service standard(s)[47] for your enforcement authority(ies)?	Yes ☐ No ☒	
	If 'No', please go to Question 2.2.1d.		
	If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?		
	If 'Yes', do you have performance targets for these standards[48]?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
	If 'Yes', what are your performance targets?		
	If possible, please provide your performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:		
	If you did not meet your performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:	Yes	No
	– availability of funding?	☐	☐
	– number of staff?	☐	☐
	– a shortage of skills?	☐	☐
	If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills do you need more of?		

2.2.1d Please only complete this question if your answered 'No' to the first part of question 2.2.1a, 2.2.1b, or 2.2.1c, relating to the existence of approved service standards for your authorities:

Do you have sufficient of the following for your authorities to function effectively?

	Management Authority(ies)	Scientific Authority(ies)	Enforcement Authority(ies)
Funding?	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☒
Staff?	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒
Skills?	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicator 2.2.2: The number of Parties that have undertaken one or more of the following activities:
- changed the budget for activities;
- hired more staff;
- developed implementation tools;
- purchased technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement.

2.2.2a Have any of the following activities been undertaken during the period covered in this report to enhance the effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?

	Tick if applicable
Hiring of more staff	☐
Development of implementation tools	☒
Purchase of technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement	☒

Other (please specify):
- Distribution of magnifying glass and handbook guide CITES wood-ID.
- Leaflets and Posters that have been produced from the Lead Central CITES Management Authority during the past years still continue to be distributed from the regional Management Authorities to all other regional enforcement authorities and to the public.

2.2.2b During the period covered in this report, was the budget for your:

	Increased	Stable	Decreased
Management Authority(ies)	☐	☐	☒
Scientific Authority(ies)	☐	☐	☒
Enforcement authorities	☐	☐	☒

2.2.2c	Have you been able to use international	Yes	No	Not applicable

	development funding assistance to increase the level of implementation of your			
	Management Authority(ies)?	☐	☒	☐
	Scientific Authority(ies)?	☐	☒	☐
	Enforcement authorities?	☐	☒	☐

2.2.2d	What is the respective level of priority for enhancing the effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level through the following activities?				
	Activity	High	Medium	Low	Not a Priority
	Hiring of more staff	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Development of implementation tools	☐	☒	☐	☐
	Purchase of new technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement	☒	☐	☐	☐
	e-permitting	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Other (please specify):	☐	☐	☐	☐

2.2.2e	Do you have a operational system (e.g. electronic database) for managing	Yes	Under development	No
	Species information	☒	☐	☐
	Trade information	☐	☐	☒
	Non-detriment findings	☐	☐	☒

Indicator 2.2.3: The number of Parties raising funds for CITES implementation through user fees or other mechanisms.

2.2.3a	Does the Management Authority charge fees for: Tick all that are applicable – Administrative procedures ☐ – Issuance of CITES documents (e.g. for import, exports, re-export, or introduction from the sea) ☒ – Shipment clearance (e.g. for the import, export, re-export, or introduction from the sea of CITES-listed species) ☐ – 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 ☐ – Other (please specify): ☐
2.2.3b	Is a fee schedule publicly available? Yes ☒ No ☐ If 'Yes', please provide an internet link, or a copy of the schedule to the Secretariat: Join Ministerial Decision no.125560/2306/20-05-2015 http://www.ypeka.gr/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=2lbbwbyXzQQ%3d&tabid=538&language=el-GR
2.2.3c	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation? Entirely ☐ Partly ☒ Not at all ☐ Not relevant ☐
2.2.3d	Yes / No Do you raise funds for CITES management through charging user fees? ☐ ☒ Do your fees recover the full economic cost of issuing permits? ☒ ☐ Do you have case studies on charging or using fees? ☐ ☒ If 'Yes' to any of the above, please provide brief details: The fees cover in a high percent the cost of issuing permits.

	Do you use innovative financial mechanisms to raise funds for CITES implementation? If 'Yes', please provide brief details:	☐	☐

Indicator 2.2.4: The number of Parties using incentive measures as part of their implementation of the Convention.

2.2.4a	Do you use incentive measures[16] such as those described in CoP14 Doc 14.32 to implement the Convention?	Yes	No
	Due diligence	☐	☒
	Compensatory mechanisms	☐	☒
	Certification	☐	☒
	Communal property rights	☐	☒
	Auctioning of quotas	☐	☒
	Cost recovery or environmental charges	☐	☒
	Enforcement incentives	☐	☒
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, or if you use other measures, please provide a summary or link to further information:		
2.2.4b	Have incentives harmful to biodiversity been eliminated?	Not at all	☒
		Very little	☐
		Somewhat	☐
		Completely	☐

Objective 2.3 Sufficient resources are secured at the national and international levels to implement capacity-building programmes.
Aichi Target 12, Target 19 and Target 20.

Indicator 2.3.1: The number of capacity building activities mandated by Resolutions and Decisions that are fully funded.

2.3.1a	How many training and capacity building activities[17] have you run during the period covered in this report?	Without assistance from the Secretariat	Conducted or assisted by the Secretariat
	None	☐	☐
	1	☐	☐
	2-5	☐	☐
	6-10	☐	☐
	11-20	☐	☐
	More than 20	☒	☐

[16] *Defined as 'Social and economic incentives that promote and regulate sustainable management of and responsible trade in, wild flora and flora and promote effective enforcement of the Convention'. The intent of such measures is not to promote wildlife trade as such, but rather to ensure that any wildlife trade undertaken is conducted in a sustainable manner.*

[17] *An activity might be a single day training e.g. for a group of staff from the Management Authority, or a longer course / project undertaken by an individual.*

	Please list the Resolutions or Decisions involved:
2.3.1b	What sorts of capacity building activities have taken place? • Development of implementation tools, • Purchase of technical equipment for monitoring/ enforcement, • Computerisation, • Training seminars to the Regional Management Authorities about CITES Regulations and Permitting system, • Issuance of circulars on legislative status of CITES species and photos for use for Regional CITES MA and Enforcement Authorities. • Oral information when asked for use for Scientific Authority, traders, public, e.t.c. • Distribution of leaflets and posters, oral and written guidance when asked to the public.
2.3.1c	What capacity building needs do you have?

Please tick all boxes which apply 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	☒	☒	☒	☒	☐	
Staff of Scientific Authority	☒	☒	☒	☐	☐	
Staff of enforcement authorities	☒	☒	☒	☐	☐	
Traders / other user groups	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	
NGOs	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Public	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐	
Other (please specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	

GOAL 3 CONTRIBUTE TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING THE RATE OF BIODIVERSITY LOSS AND TO ACHIEVING RELEVANT GLOBALLY-AGREED GOALS AND TARGETS BY ENSURING THAT CITES AND OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENTS AND PROCESSES ARE COHERENT AND MUTUALLY SUPPORTIVE

Objective 3.1 Cooperation between CITES and international financial mechanisms and other related institutions is enhanced in order to support CITES-related conservation and sustainable development projects, without diminishing funding for currently prioritized activities.
Aichi Target 2 and Target 20.

Indicator 3.1.1: The number of Parties funded by international financial mechanisms and other related institutions to develop activities that include CITES-related conservation and sustainable development elements.

3.1.1a	Has funding from international financial mechanisms and other related institutions been used to develop activities that include CITES-related conservation and sustainable development elements? If 'Yes', please provide brief details:	Yes No Not applicable No information	☐ ☒ ☐ ☐
3.1.1b	During the period covered in this report, has funding for your country from international funding mechanisms and other related institutions:	Increased Remained stable Decreased	☐ ☐ ☐

Indicator 3.1.2: The number of countries and institutions that have provided additional funding from CITES Authorities to another country or activity for conservation and sustainable development projects in order to further the objectives of the Convention.

3.1.2a	Have you provided technical or financial assistance to another country or countries in relation to CITES?						Yes ☐ No ☒ No information ☐	
	If 'Yes', please tick boxes to indicate type of assistance provided Country(ies)	Species Management[18]	Habitat Management[19]	Sustainable use	Law Enforcement	Livelihoods	Other (specify)	Details (provide more information in an Appendix if necessary)
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	

Objective 3.2 Awareness of the role and purpose of CITES is increased globally.
Aichi Target 1, Target 4, Target 12 and Target 18.

Indicator 3.2.1: The number of Parties that have been involved in CITES awareness raising activities to bring about better awareness by the wider public and relevant user groups of the Convention requirements.

3.2.1a	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following activities to bring about better awareness of the Convention's requirements by the wider public and relevant user groups?	Wider public	Relevant User Groups
	– Press conferences	☐	☐
	– Press releases	☒	☐
	– Newspaper articles, brochures, leaflets	☒	☐
	– Television appearances	☐	☐
	– Radio appearances	☐	☐
	– Presentations	☐	☒
	– Public consultations / meetings	☐	☐
	– Market surveys	☐	☐
	– Displays	☐	☐
	– Information at border crossing points	☒	☐
	– Telephone hotline	☒	☐
	– Website(s) – if so please provide link(s) http://www.ypeka.gr	☐	☐
	– Other (specify):	☐	☐
	Please attach copies of any items or describe examples:		

Indicator 3.2.2: The number of visits to the CITES website.

[18] *Use species conservation column for work directly related to species – e.g. population surveys, education programmes, conflict resolution, etc.*

[19] *Use habitat conservation column for work that will indirectly support species conservation – e.g. habitat management, development of policy frameworks for how land is managed, etc.*

3.2.2a	How regularly do your Authorities consult the CITES website?					
	Please tick boxes to indicate the most frequent usage (decide on an average amongst staff if necessary). Target group	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Less frequently	Not known
	Staff of Management Authority	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Staff of Scientific Authority	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Staff of enforcement authorities	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
3.2.2b	What has been your experience with using the CITES website?					
					Excellent	☐
					Good	☒
					Average	☐
					Poor	☐
					Very Poor	☐
					No information	☐
	Any further comments on the CITES Website? (e.g. useful aspects, any difficulties encountered, which authorities find which functions/tools most useful, what is missing, etc): Sometimes the information regarding CITES Member States is not well updated or has mistakes (some e-mails).					

Indicator 3.2.3: The number of Parties with web pages on CITES and its requirements.

A question relating to this indicator is within question 3.2.1a.

Objective 3.3 Cooperation with relevant international environmental, trade and development organizations is enhanced.

Indicator 3.3.1 The number of Parties which report that they have achieved synergies in their implementation of CITES, other biodiversity-related conventions and other relevant multilateral environmental, trade and development agreements.

3.3.1a	Have measures been taken to achieve coordination and reduce duplication of activities between the national CITES authorities and national focal points for other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the other biodiversity-related conventions: CBD, CMS, ITPGR, Ramsar, WHC)[20] to which your country is party?	Yes	☐
		No	☐
		No information	☒
	If 'Yes', please give a brief description:		

Indicator 3.3.2: The number of biodiversity conservation or sustainable use projects, trade and development goals, or scientific and technical programmes that integrate CITES requirements.

[20] *CBD = Convention on Biological Diversity; CMS = Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals, ITPGR = International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Ramsar = The Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, WHC = World Heritage Convention.*

3.3.2a	How many international projects which integrate CITES issues has your country contributed towards?		-
3.3.2b	In addition to 3.2.2a, how many national level projects has your country implemented which integrate CITES issues?		-
3.3.2c	Have there been any efforts at a national scale for your CITES Management or Scientific Authorities to collaborate with:	Yes	No
	Agencies for development?	☐	☐
	Agencies for trade?	☒	☐
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities?	☒	☐
	Local authorities or communities?	☐	☐
	Indigenous or local peoples?	☐	☐
	Trade or other private sector associations?	☐	☐
	NGOs?	☒	☐
	Other (please specify)	☐	☐
3.3.2d	Are CITES requirements integrated into?	Yes	No
	National and local development strategies?	☐	☐
	National and local poverty reduction strategies?	☐	☐
	Planning processes?	☐	☐
	National accounting?	☐	☐

Indicator 3.3.3: The number of Parties cooperating / collaborating with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to participate in and/or fund CITES workshops and other training and capacity-building activities.

3.3.3a	Has funding been provided or received to facilitate CITES workshops, training or other capacity building activities to / from:	Tick if applicable	Which organizations?
	Inter-governmental organizations?	☐	
	Non-governmental organizations?	☐	

Objective 3.4 The contribution of CITES to the relevant Millennium Development Goals, the sustainable development goals set at WSSD, the *Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020* and the relevant *Aichi Biodiversity Targets,* and the relevant outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development is strengthened by ensuring that international trade in wild fauna and flora is conducted at sustainable levels.

This objective may also be assessed by a variety of means beyond the reporting format, including action taken to implement many of the CITES resolutions and decisions.
Aichi Target 1, Target 2, Target 3, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 12, Target 14, Target 17, Target 18 and Target 19.

Indicator 3.4.1: The conservation status of species listed on the CITES Appendices has stabilized or improved.

3.4.1a	Do you have data which shows that the conservation status of naturally occurring species in your country listed on the CITES Appendices has stabilized or improved?	Yes	No	Not Applicable
	Appendix I	☐	☐	☒
	Appendix II	☐	☐	☒
	Appendix III	☐	☐	☒
	If there are such studies that you are willing to share, please provide: Species name (scientific) Link to the data, or a brief summary			
3.4.1b	Do you have examples of specific examples of success stories or emerging problems with any CITES listed species?	Yes ☒ No ☐ No information ☐		
	If 'Yes', please provide details: The succeed operation that was made against wildlife trafficking in 2017 from the Greek and Spanish authorities (CITES and Customs authorities, Police), supported by Europol and Eurojust preventing the illegal export of live specimens of the species *Anguilla anguilla*.			

Indicator 3.4.2: The number of Parties incorporating CITES into their National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP).

3.4.2a	Has CITES been incorporated into your country's National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP)?	Yes No No information	☐ ☐ ☒
3.4.2b	Have you been able to obtain funds from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) or other sources to support CITES aspects of NBSAP implementation?	Yes No No information	☐ ☐ ☒

Objective 3.5 Parties and the Secretariat cooperate with other relevant international organizations and agreements dealing with natural resources, as appropriate, in order to achieve a coherent and collaborative approach to species which can be endangered by unsustainable trade, including those which are commercially exploited.
Aichi Target 2, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 10, Target 12, Target 14 and Target 19.

Indicator 3.5.1: The number of cooperative actions taken under established bilateral or multilateral agreements to prevent species from being unsustainably exploited through international trade.

3.5.1a	Has your country taken action under established bilateral or multilateral agreements other than CITES to prevent species from being unsustainably exploited through international trade? If 'Yes', please provide details:	Yes No No information	☐ ☐ ☒

Indicator 3.5.2: The number of times other relevant international organizations and agreements dealing with natural resources are consulted on issues relevant to species subject to unsustainable trade.

3.5.2a	Average number of times per year that international organizations or agreements have been consulted by CITES Authorities	Once	2-5 times	6-20 times	More than 20 times	No consultation	Optional comment about which organizations and issues consulted on
	Management Authority(ies)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	
	Scientific Authority(ies)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	
	Enforcement Authority(ies)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒	

General feedback

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

Item		
Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation if changed Web link(s) http://www.ypeka.gr/Default.aspx?tabid=535&language=el-GR	Enclosed Not available Previously provided	☐ ☐ ☒
Please list any materials annexed to the report, e.g. fee schedules, awareness raising materials, etc:		
Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance? If 'Yes', please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is required.	Yes No No Information	☐ ☐ ☒
Are there examples of good practice you would like to share with other Parties? If 'Yes' please provide details / links:	Yes No No Information	☐ ☐ ☒
How could this report format be improved?		

Thank you for completing the report. Please remember to include relevant attachments referred to in the report when it is submitted to the Secretariat.

ANNEX 1

PENALTIES THAT MAY BE IMPOSED

LEGISLATION	FINES (EUR Private Persons)		FINES (EUR Legal Persons)	
	Min	**Max**	**Min**	**Max**
Law 4042/2012 (Directive 2008/99/EC)	3.000 €	150.000 to 500.000 €	3.000 €	150.000 to 500.000 €
Law 2637/1998 and Legislative Decree 86/1969, article 288a (*it was amended on 8-8-2014 with Law 4280/2014*)	1.500 €	30.000 €	1.500 €	30.000 €
Customs Code Law 2960/2001	1) 3.000 € (only for live animals) 2) 750 € (for specimens or samples of wild fauna and flora)	1) 3.000 € (only for live animals) 2) five times the amount of duties and taxes for specimens or samples of wild fauna and flora	1) 3.000 € (only for live animals) 2) 750 € (for specimens or samples of wild fauna and flora)	1) 3.000 € (only for live animals) 2) five times the amount of duties and taxes for specimens or samples of wild fauna and flora

ANNEX 2 **ANNUAL ILLEGAL TRADE REPORT 2015**

Date of seizure	Species	Description of specimens	Quantity	Location of incident	Detecting Agency	Reason for seizure	Means of Transport	Method of concealment	Alleged Country of Origin	Alleged final destination	Law under which charges were brought	Sanction
5/8/2015	Lynx rufus	Garments	3	Custom Office	Custom Office	illegal possession and importation/ No Permit	Air & Road	Amongst other goods	Unknown	GREECE	Customs Code Law/ Notification to the prosecutor	Implementation of provision of **non prosecution** in case of renunciation of the right to appeal against the administrative fine. Confiscation of goods./ Administrative fine of EURO 1.536,00 and Confiscation of goods.
24/9/2015	Leopardus Geoffroyi and Lynx Rufus	Garments	2 & 1	Custom Office	Custom Office	illegal possession and exportation/ No Permit	Air & Road	Amongst other goods. (They were declared as garments made of fur skins of fox)	Unknown	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Customs Code Law/ Notification to the prosecutor	Implementation of provision of **non prosecution** in case of renunciation of the right to appeal against the administrative fine. Confiscation of goods./ Administrative fine of EURO 1.536,00 and Confiscation of goods.
17/5/2015	Python reticulatus	LPL - Large Leather Products 1 Handbag and 1 Pair of Shoes	2	Custom Office	Custom Office	illegal possession and importation/ No Permit	Land Boundary	Inside the trunk of traveller's car	Unknown	From Turkey to Greece	Customs Code Law/ Notification to the prosecutor	Penal Court Decision: Acquittal Administrative Fine of 750,00 EUR.

ANNEX 2

ANNUAL ILLEGAL TRADE REPORT 2016

Date of seizure	Species	Description of specimens	Quantity	Location of incident	Detecting Agency	Reason for seizure	Means of Transport	Method of concealment	Alleged Country of Origin	Country(ies) of Transit	Alleged final destination	Law under which charges were brought	Sanction	Disposal of confiscated specimens
29/1/2016	Leopardus pardalis (1) & Lynx rufus (1)	Garments	2	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and exportation	Air & Land	Among other things	Unknown	GREECE	U.S.A.	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Authorirties on 4/05/2016. Until today there is any new information on that. A Customs Administrave penalty of 750,00 euro was imposed	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management Authority
12/9/2016	Chlorocebus Aethiops	Dead monkeys	2	Athens Airport	Custom Office	illegal possesion and importation	Air	Into luggage	EGYPT		GREECE	Law 4039/2012, Articles 16α & 20, paragraph 2 / P.D.86/1969, Article 258, paragraph 6β & 287, paragraph 22	12 months imprisonment and an administrative penalty of 3.000 euro was imposed	The specimens were found dead- The Court ordered their seizure
4/7/2016	Lynx rufus	Garments	23	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and exportation	Air & Land	Among other things	Unknown	GREECE	United Arab Emirates	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Auhtorities on 9/11/2016. A Customs Administrative penalty of 1.187,43 euro was imposed.	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management Authority
20/12/2016	Lynx rufus	Garments	3	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and exportation	Air & Land	Among other things	Unknown	GREECE	U.S.A.	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Authorities on 28/12/2016. A Customs Administrative penalty of 750,00 euro was imposed.	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management Authority
27/12/2016	Lynx rufus	Garments and other things	17	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and exportation	Air & Land	Among other things	Unknown	GREECE	U.S.A.	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Authorities on 29/12/2016. A Customs Administrative penalty of 1.256,67 euro was imposed.	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management Authority
27/12/2016	Lynx rufus	Garments	1	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and exportation	Air & Land	Among other things	Unknown	GREECE	U.S.A.	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Authorities on 9/1/2017. A Customs Administrative penalty of 750,00 euro was imposed.	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management

														Authority
15/4/2016	Lynx rufus	Garments	9	Custom Office (Kastoria)	Custom Office	illegal possesion and importation	Air & Land	Among other things	RUSSIA	GREECE	GREECE	Law no.2960/01, Articles 150 & 155	The case was transmitted to the Judicial Authorities on 2/12/2016. A Customs Administrative penalty of 1.518,33 euro was imposed.	The specimens were delivered to the responsible Regional CITES Management Authority
1/6/2016	Chamaeleo calyptratus	Live	2	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Uromastyx ornata	Live	1	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Epicrates cenchia maurus	Live	4	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Python regius	Live	2	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled

1/6/2016	Epicrates cenchria cenchria	Live	1	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Trachemys scripta elegans	Live	25	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Iguana iguana	Live	4	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Boa costrictor	Live	2	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Python bivittatus	Live	3	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Chelonia mydas	Live	1	Limeas Hersoniso u, Municipal ity of Hersoniso s, CRETE	Directorat e for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession- no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled

1/6/2016	Geochelone sulcata	Live	1	Limeas Hersonisou, Municipality of Hersonisos, CRETE	Directorate for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled
1/6/2016	Testudo marginata	Live	3	Limeas Hersonisou, Municipality of Hersonisos, CRETE	Directorate for Forests of Iraklion, CRETE	illegal possession-no CITES Permit						P.D.86/69, article 258, paragraph 6, part a) and article 288a/ Law 2637/98, article 57, paragraph 5b and 8/ Law 4280/14, article 48, paragraph 10		The specimens were seized and held by the holder in trust until the court ruled

ANNEX 2 **ANNUAL ILLEGAL TRADE REPORT 2017**

Date of seizure	Species	Description of specimen	Quantity	Location of incident	Detecting agency[1]	Method of detection[2]*	Reason for seizure[3]	Mode of transport[4]	Method of concealment	Alleged country of origin	Country of transit	Alleged final destination	Nationality of offenders*	Law under which charges were brought (desirable)	Sanction (desirable)	Disposal of confiscated specimens[5] (desirable)	Additional information *
July 2017	Aratinga jandaya	LIV	1	Voni, Municipality of Minoa Pediadas, CRETE	Police	External information	No CITES Permit-Illegal crossing						GR	Law 4039/2012, Article 20 / Decision no.258971/ 2008 of Ministry of Rural Development and Food, article 2, paragraph 2		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
July 2017	Psittacula eupatria	LIV	2	Voni, Municipality of Minoa Pediadas, CRETE	Police	External information	No CITES Permit-Illegal crossing						GR	Law 4039/2012, Article 20 / Decision no.258971/ 2008 of Ministry of Rural Development and Food, article 2, paragraph 2		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
July 2017	Psephotus haematonotus	LIV	1	Voni, Municipality of Minoa Pediadas, CRETE	Police	External information	No CITES Permit-Illegal crossing						GR	Law 4039/2012, Article 20 / Decision no.258971/ 2008 of Ministry of Rural Development and Food, article 2,		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	

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27/07/2017	Caiman latirostris	LIV	3	Rhodes Greece	Customs, Rhodes	Physical inspection	Illegal crossing	Air		NL		GR	US	Joint Ministerial Decision. No. 125188/246/22-01-2013		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
27/07/2017	Caiman crocodilus	LIV	2	Rhodes Greece	Customs, Rhodes	Physical inspection	Illegal crossing	Air		NL		GR	US	Joint Ministerial Decision. No. 125188/246/22-01-2013		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
27/07/2017	Psittaciformes sp.	LIV	411	Rhodes Greece	Directorate for Forests of the Prefecture of Dodecanese, Rhodes	Physical inspection	Non approved private facilities					GR	GR	Legislative Decree No. 86/1969		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
27/07/2017	Reptilia spp.	LIV	12	Rhodes Greece	Directorate for Forests of the Prefecture of Dodecanese, Rhodes	Physical inspection	Non approved private facilities					GR	GR	Legislative Decree No. 86/1969		Pending the decision of the Court of Justice	
3/2/2017	Anguilla - Anguilla	LIV	400 kg	Other (private warehouse) Koropi, Athens	Europol / Customs Auditing Service/ Police	Intelligence / Investigation	miss-decleared	road - maritime - road	In freight	ES	IT / GR	CN		National law N.2960/01 art. 150 & 155	The case is still under investigation and we are not up to date informed by the judicial authorities about the course of the case	Pending court decision	This case is still under investigation

3/2/2017	Anguilla - Anguilla	LIV	160 Kg	Airport	Europol / Customs Auditing Service/ Police	Intelligence / Investigation	miss-decleared	road - maritime - road	In freight	ES	IT / GR	CN		National law N.2960/01 art. 150 & 155	The case is still under investigation and we are not up to date informed by the judicial authorities about the course of the case	Pending court decision	This case is still under investigation
5/6/2017	Acipenser baerii	CAV	24,99 Kg	Kipoi, North - East Greece	Greek Customs of Kipoi	Physical inspection	no CITES permit	land	concealed inside vehicle	GR	TR	BG	TR	1. National Customs Code 2960/01 2. National Law 1650/1986 as modified by Law 4042/2012	Fine 14.634,15 EUROS (imposed by Customs Authority) and imprisonment for 11 months (imposed by Judicial Authorities)	Storage /safekeeping in the area of customs due to lack of space of the competent authorities	
16/6/2017	Lynx rufus	GAR	9,6 Kg	city of Kastoria Greece	Greek Customs of Kastoria	Customs documentary checks	no CITES permit	air and land	concealed among other garments	US	GR	US	GR	1. National Customs Code 2960/01 2. National Law 1845/1989 as modified by Law 2637/1998 3. National Law 86/1969 as modified by Law 2637/1998 4. National Law 2637/98	Fine 768 EUROS (imposed by Customs Authority) Pending (Judicial Authorities)	Storage /safekeeping in the area of customs due to lack of space of the competent authorities	

18/7/2017	Lynx rufus	GAR	1	city of Kastoria Greece	Greek Customs of Kastoria	Customs documentary checks	no CITES permit	air	Inside postal parcel		GR	RU	GR	1. National Customs Code 2960/01 2. National Law 1845/1989 as modified by Law 2637/1998 3. National Law 86/1969 as modified by Law 2637/1998 4. National Law 2637/98	Fine 768 euros (imposed by Customs Authority) Pending (Judicial Authorities)	Storage /safekeeping in the area of customs due to lack of space of the competent authorities	
27/7/2017	a. Caiman latirostris b. Caiman crocodiles	LIV	a. 3 b. 2 total 5	Private house	Greek Customs of Rodos	Customs documentary checks	no CITES permit	air	not concealed		NL	GR	GR	1. National Customs Code 2960/01 2. EU Regulations 338/97 and 160/2017 3. National Law 2637/98	Pending (Judicial Authorities)	Pending court decision	
30/8/2017	Lynx rufus	GAR	300 Kg	city of Kastoria Greece	Greek Customs of Kastoria	Customs documentary checks	no CITES permit	maritime -road	concealed among other garments	US		GR	GR	1.National Customs Code 2960/01 2.EU Regulation 338/97 3. National Law 86/1969 as modified by Law 2637/1998	Fine 768 EUROS (imposed by Customs Authority) Pending (Judicial Authorities)	Storage /safekeeping in the area of customs due to lack of space of the competent authorities	

18/9/2017	Lynx rufus	CLO	1	city of Kastoria Greece	Greek Customs of Kastoria	Customs documentary checks	no CITES permit	maritime -road	concealed among other garments	US	GR	US	GR	1. National Customs Code 2960/01 2. National Law 1845/1989 as modified by Law 2637/1998 3. National Law 86/1969 as modified by Law 2637/1998	Fine 768 EUROS (imposed by Customs Authority) Pending (Judicial Authorities)	Storage /safekeeping in the area of customs due to lack of space of the competent authorities	