

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



BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS

A. General information

Party	Republic of Belarus
Period covered in this report:	1 January 2005 to 31 December 2006
Details of agency preparing this report	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environ- mental Protection of the Republic of Belarus
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Belorussian Research Centre of Ecology

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been	Yes (fully)		
	provided under the CITES National Legislation Project?	Yes (partly)		
	If yes, ignore questions 2, 3 and 4.	No		\boxtimes
		No information/unk	nown	
2	If any CITES-relevant legislation has been planned, drafted or	enacted, please prov	ide the fo	llow-
	ing details:			
2.1	Title and date: Decree of the President of the Republic of	Belarus №580 of	Status:	
	December 8, 2004 "On some Measures on Increasing the Eff	ficiency of Hunting	Decree	
	Economy and Fishing Industry, Improvement of their State Ma	nagement"		
	Brief description of contents: The Decree defines the function	ons, authorities and		
	obligation of the state bodies and juridical persons in the sphere	of hunting economy		
	and fishing industry, as well as establishes the Rules of Hui			
	Hunting, Rules of Fishing Economy and Fishing. The Rates for t	the Determination of		
	the Size of the Reimbursement of the Harm, Caused to the Env			
	and Juridical Persons as a Result of Illegal Withdrawal or I			
	Animals and Harmful Influence on their Habitats are fixed	(including CITES		
	specimens)			
2.2	Title and date: Decision of the Council of Ministers of the Rep			
	1412 of December 9, 2005 "On the Order of the Work with F		Decision	
	in the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protect			
	the Certificates or other Documents, Containing the Ackno	wledgement of the		
	Facts, Having Legal Importance"			
	Brief description of contents: The Decision fixes the Order of			
	Work with People in the Ministry of Natural Resources			
	Protection on Issue of the Certificates or other Documer	, .		
	Acknowledgement of the Facts, Having Legal Importance. The			
	list of documents, issued to the people by the Ministry, list of			
	information, presented by a citizen, certificates issue terms, amo			
	for the certificate, expiry date of the certificate, names of bodies			
	and points out normative legal acts, in which certificates are dete	rmined.		
2.3	Title and date: Decision of The Ministry of Natural Resources	and Environmental	Status:	
	Protection of the Republic of Belarus, Ministry of the Agricult			
	Republic of Belarus, Ministry of Housing and Communal Ser		_ **********	
	lic of Belarus, Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Belarus			
	ruary 23, 2005 "On some Questions of the Keeping of Wild			
	Force of the Convention on International Trade in Endanger			
	Fauna and Flora"			

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	temporary dispose wild								
	CITES; confirms the no								
	specimens and norms of								
	commission on the cons		of the qu	iestions	of the w	ild anima	ıls – CI	TES	
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2.4	Title and date: Decision								
	rus № 64 of September								ion
	Forbidden and Limited to	o Moving	Across t	he Custo	oms Bord	er of the	Republi	c of	
	Belarus"								
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	organization of the Cus								
	forbidden and limited t								
	nomenclature of goods of								
	and plants, their parts								
	International Trade in E	_	•				ı, lımıted	d to	
	moving across the Custon								
2.5	Title and date: Decision of								
	rus № 100 of December Storage, Preliminary Est								ion
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	Goods, Transport Facilit								
	Taken for Temporary Kee								
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	Customs Mode of Refusa								
3	Is enacted legislation ava	ilable in c	ne of the	workin	g lan-	Yes			\boxtimes
	guages of the Convention	n?			_	No			
						No info	ormation	1	
4	If yes, please attach a cop	y of the f	ull legisla	ative tex	t or key	legislat	ion attac	ched	\boxtimes
	legislative provisions tha	t were gaz	zetted.			provide	ed previo	ously	
						not ava	ilable, w	ill send lat	ter 🗆
5	Which of the following is	ssues are a	addressed	bv anv	stricter de		T	Tick all ap	
	measures adopted for CI						;		
	XIV of the Convention)?		- F						
	,	Т	he condi	tions for		The o	complete	prohibitio	n of:
	Issue	Yes	No	No inf	ormation	Yes	No	No infor	mation
	Trade		\boxtimes			\boxtimes			
	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?							
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequa	ate No information			
	Powers of CITES authorities	\boxtimes						
	Clarity of legal obligations		\boxtimes					
	Control over CITES trade		\boxtimes					
	Consistency with existing policy		\boxtimes					
	on wildlife management and use							
	Coverage of law for all types of		\boxtimes					
	offences							
	Coverage of law for all types of		\boxtimes					
	penalties							
	Implementing regulations		\boxtimes					
	Coherence within legislation		\boxtimes					
	Other (please specify):							
	Please provide details if available:	-						
7	If no review or assessment has take reporting period?	en place, is one	planned for the	No	~ _			
	Please provide details if available:	-						
8	Has there been any review of legisla to implementation of the Convention		wing subjects in	n relation	Tick all applicable			
	Subject		Yes	No	No information			
	Access to or ownership of natural r	resources						
	Harvesting							
	Transporting of live specimens			\boxtimes				
	Handling and housing of live speci	mens						
	Please provide details if available:							
9	Please provide details of any additi	onal measures t	aken: -					

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No	No informa- tion
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been u	ndertake	n?	
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:			
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets			
	Border controls			
	Other (specify)			\boxtimes
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 violations? I details.	f availab	le, plea	se attach
	A citizen, who tried to put across the Customs Border of the Republi			,
	50 specimens of Horsfield's tortoises (Application II) alive without C fined.	CITES d	ocumen	ts, has been
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of			
	CITES specimens been made?			

5	If information available:		Number	
	☐ Significant seizures/confiscations			
	☐ Total seizures/confiscations		2/1	
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details.			
	The Customs organs of the Republic of Belarus seized, when mov-			
	ing across the Customs Border, the following CITES specimens:			
	- roots of Ginseng 2124 kg;			
	- chinchilla alive, 1 item;			
	- horsfield's tortoises alive, 50 items.	_		
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-	Ш		\boxtimes
	related violations?		1	
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, pleas	e attacl	n details as An	
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations	ا با	,	
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please a	ttach de		
10	How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed of?		Tick if app	licable
	 Return to country of export 		ᆜ	
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 		⊠	
	 Designated rescue centres 		Ш	
	 Approved, private facilities 		\boxtimes	
	– Euthanasia			
	- Other (specify)			
	Comments: -			
11	Has detailed information been provided to the Secretariat on significant			
	cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means),			\boxtimes
	or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?		plicable	
		No inf	formation	Ш.
	Comments: -			
12	Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities with other	Yes		
	countries (e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investiga-	No		\boxtimes
	tive assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	No in	formation	Ш
13	If Yes, please give a brief description:			
14	Have any incentives been offered to local communities to assist in	Yes		
	the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and	No		\boxtimes
	conviction of offenders?	No in	formation	Ш
15	If Yes, please describe: -		 -	
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforce-	Yes		
	ment?	No	1: 11	× ×
			pplicable	\vdash
		NO II	formation	
17	Comments: -			
17	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -			
	D. Administrative measures			
D.I				
D1	Management Authority (MA)	* 1	r	
I	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact infor-		es	닏
	mation for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Di-		lo Io information	M
	rectory?	N	lo information	Ш
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.			

	Training entered Training (1/212)		
1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact infor-	Yes	
	mation for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Di-	No	\boxtimes
	rectory?	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 desig-	Yes	
	nated?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lea	ad MA in the CITES	Ŝ

	Directory		
5	How many staff work in each MA? 2		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related	Yes	
	matters?	No	\boxtimes
	If yes, please give estimation	No information	
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if appli	cable
	- Administration		\boxtimes
	- Biology		\boxtimes
	- Economics/trade		
	- Law/policy		\boxtimes
	- Other (specify)		
	No information		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in rela-	Yes	\boxtimes
	tion to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species	No	
	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 res		
	In 2005 year the MA has supported the issue at Working up of reference-	determinantion boo	k of
	CITES specimens.		
10	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -		

D2	Scientific Authority (SA)		
1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for	Yes	
	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 changes here		
3	Is the designated Scientific Authority independent from the Management	Yes	\boxtimes
	Authority?	No	
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s)?	Tick if applica	ible
	-Government institution		
	-Academic or research institution		\boxtimes
	-Permanent committee		
	-Pool of individuals with certain expertise		
	-Other (specify)		
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? 6		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related mat-	Yes	
	ters?	No	\boxtimes
	If yes, please give estimation -	No information	
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)?	Tick if applica	ible
	- Botany		\boxtimes
	- Ecology		
	- Fisheries		\boxtimes
	- Forestry		\boxtimes
	- Welfare		
	- Zoology		\boxtimes
	- Other (specify)		
	 No information 		
8	Have any research activities been undertaken by the SA(s) in relation to CITES	Yes	\boxtimes
	species?	No	
		No information	

If Yes, please give th	e species nam	e and	provide details of the kind of				
Species name	Popula-		Distribution	Off	Legal	Illegal	Othe
•	tions				trade		
			FLORA		•		
Cypripedium calceol	<i>us</i> 500 m ²		t region	-	-	-	-
Neottia nidus-avis	3000 m^2		round the territory of Belarus	-	-	-	-
Goodyera repens	1000 m ²	Vite	bsk, Minsk and Grodno region	s -	_] -	-
Epipactis palustris	500 m ²	Vite	bsk, Minsk and Brest regions	-	-	-	-
Epipactis atrorubens	2 m ²		t region	-	-	-	-
Epipactis helleborine	2000 m ²	All a	round the territory of Belarus	-	-	1	-
Gymnadenia conopse			bsk region	-	-	1	
Corallorhiza trifida	10 m ²	Groc	lno region	-	-	1	
Liparis loeselii	180 m ²	Vite	bsk region	-	-	1	
Platanthera bifolia	3000 m ²	All a	round the territory of Belarus	-	-	1	
Platanthera chlorant	ha 2500 m ²		nel and Brest regions		-	1	
Malaxis monophyllos			bsk region		_	1	
Dactylorhiza baltica			bsk, Minsk, Grodno and	+	-	1	-
,			ilev regions			ľ	-
Dactylorhiza cruenta	100 m ²		ilev region	Ī-	-	1-	-
Dactylorhiza incarna			round the territory of Belarus	+	-	1	-
Dactylorhiza macula			round the territory of Belarus	-	-	1	
Dactylorhiza fuchsii	3000 m ²	***************************************	around the territory of Belarus	i.	_	1	-
Listera cordata	40 m ²	***************************************	Ino region		-	1	
Listera ovata	1000 m ²		around the territory of Belarus		_		
Hammarbya paludos			bsk region		_		_
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Canis lupus	1350 animals		All around the territory of Be	larus	17 -		-
Ursus actors	80-100 anima	als	Northern part of Belarus		3 -		1
Lutra lutra	······		All around the territory of Be	larus			
Lynx lynx	400-600 anin		All around the territory of Be		3 -		- 1
Ciconia nigra	950-1300 pai		All around the territory of Be				
Grus grus	800-1500 pai		All around the territory of Be				1-
Milvus migrans	200-230 pairs	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	All around the territory of Be				-
Haliaeetus albicilla	85-105 pairs		All around the territory of Be				
Circaetus gallicus	530-700 pairs	S	All around the territory of Be				-
Circus cyaneus	600-800 pairs		All around the territory of Be				
Circus aeruginosus	2500-3000 pans		All around the territory of Be				
Circus pygargus	600-1100 pai		All around the territory of Be				
Aquila pomarina	3200-3800 pa		All around the territory of Be				
Aquila clanga	90-120 pairs	.110	Brest and Gomel regions	40			
Aquila chryasaetos	25-35 pairs		Vitebsk region				
Pernis apivorus	1000-2000 pa	airs	All around the territory of Be	larus			1.
Pandion haliaetus	150-180 pairs		Vitebsk region	40			
Falco tinnunculus	1200-1700 pans		All around the territory of Be	larus			
Falco vespertinus	10-30 pairs	4113	Brest and Gomel regions	iai as			
Falco subbuteo	2500-2700 pa	aire	All around the territory of Be	larue			
Bubo bubo	400-500 pairs		All around Belarus, especially		1		
Budd dudd	-100-200 pans	,	Brest and Gomel regions	y 111			Ī
Glaucidium	1200-2000 pa	aire	All around the territory of Be	larue			
passerinum	1200-2000 pa	4113	around the territory of Be	iai us			Ī
Strix aluco	35000-50000	naire	All around the territory of Be	larus			-ir
Strix aluco							

	[Please continue on separate	sheet, as	necessar	y.]			No information
10	Have any project proposals		tific resea	rch been	submitted	to the Se	
	tariat under Resolution Cor	ıf. 12.2?					No
							No information
11	Please provide details of a	ny additio	onal meas	sures take	:n: -		
D3	Enforcement Authori	ties					
1	Has the Secretariat been i		of any en	forcemer	t authorit	ies Yes	П
1	that have been designated	for the re	eceipt of	confident	ial enforc	e- No	
	ment information related						nformation
2	If No, please designate th	em here (with add	ress, phoi	ne, fax an	d email).	-
							
3	Is there a specialized unit					Yes	
	forcement (e.g. within the			ent, Custo	ms, the	No	
	police, public prosecutor'	s office)?					er consideration
4	If Yes, please state which	ic the lea	d agency	for enfo	rcament:		illormation
5	Please provide details of					_	
	Trease provide detains or	arry address	onai mee	isures tak	CII.		
D4	Communication, info	rmation 1	nanagen	ent and	exchange	,	
1	To what extent is CITES in				8		Tick if applicable
	 Monitoring and reporti 						
	 Monitoring and reporti 	ng of data	on illeg	al trade			
	 Permit issuance 						
	Not at all						
	- Other (specify)						
2	Do the following authorities	s have ac	cess to th	ne Interne	t?		Tick if applicable
		Yes, continuous and unrestricted access	Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	ly		
	Authority	Yes, continuous an unrestricted access	y th	Yes, but only thr a different office	Some offices only		Please provide details
		Eed	onl	onl on	ice		where appropriate
		Son	ut -up	out	off	Not at all	
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	Management Authority			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	-
	Scientific Authority						-
3	Enforcement Authority Is there an electronic inform	notion av		ا ا	i L		S Yes
3	species?	mation sy	stem pro	viaing ini	omation	on CITE	No \square
	species:						No information
4	If Yes, does it provide infor	mation on	1:				Tick if applicable
	- Legislation (national, re	gional or i	internatio	nal)?			
	- Conservation status (nat	ional, reg	ional, int	ernationa	1)?		
	– Other (please specify)?						
5	Is it available through the I	nternet:					Yes
							No 🔲
							Not applicable No information
	Please provide URL: http:/	/neni gev	by/				No information [
6	Do the authorities indicated			e followi	ng nuhlic	ations?	Tick if applicable
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	Publication	Management	Scientific	Enforcement
	ruoncation	Authority	Authority	Authority
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)		\boxtimes	
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appen-		\boxtimes	
	dices (CD-ROM)			
	Identification Manual			
	CITES Handbook		\boxtimes	
7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access th			
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Managemer	nt Authority on:	T	ick if applica- ble
	– Mortality in transport?			
	– Seizures and confiscations?			
	- Discrepancies in number of items in permits and numb	er of items actu	ally traded?	
	Comments: -		,	
9	Is there a government website with information on CITES	S and its require	- Yes	\boxtimes
	ments?	*	No	
l			No infor	mation 🔲
	If Yes, please give the URL:			
L	http://www.minpriroda.by/ru/site_menu/napravlenia/mejo			
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following	owing activities	to bring	Tick if
	about better accessibility to and understanding of the Co.	nvention's requi	irements to	applicable
	the wider public?		,	
	 Press releases/conferences 			\boxtimes
	 Newspaper articles, radio/television appearance 	ees		\boxtimes
	 Brochures, leaflets 			\boxtimes
	 Presentations 			\boxtimes
	– Displays			\boxtimes
	 Information at border crossing points 			
	 Telephone hotline 			
	Other (specify)			
	Please attach copies of any items.	,,,,,,		
11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -	=		
D5				
20	Permitting and registration procedures			
1	Permitting and registration procedures Have any changes in permit format or the designation ar	nd signatures of	Yes	
_			Yes No	
_	Have any changes in permit format or the designation ar			able
_	Have any changes in permit format or the designation ar officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates		No	
_	Have any changes in permit format or the designation ar officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates previously to the Secretariat? If no, please provide details of any:		No Not applic	
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_	Have any changes in permit format or the designation ar officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates previously to the Secretariat? If no, please provide details of any: Changes in permit format: - Changes in designation or signatures of relevant of To date, has your country developed written permit process.	been reported Ficials: -	No Not applic	nation
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3	Please indicate how many CITES documents were issued and denied in the two year period? (Note that actual trade is reported in the Annual Report by some Parties. This question refers to issued documents).						
	Year 1	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re- export	Other	Comment	ts
	How many documents were issued?	1	10	3	-	-	
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or mis- information?	1	-	-	-	-	
	Year 2 How many documents were issued?	2	9	5	-	-	
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or mis- information?	-		-	-	-	
4	Were any CITES document because of serious omission			led and rep	olaced	Yes No No informa- tion	
5	If Yes, please give the reason	ons for this					
6	Please give the reasons for re		uments f	rom other	coun-	Tick if appl	licable
	tries.						
		ason		Yes	No	No informat	tion
		ason		Yes	No	No informat	tion
	Re Technical violations Suspected fraud			<u> </u>	No	No information	tion
	Re Technical violations Suspected fraud Insufficient basis for finding	g of non-detriment			No 🗆 🗆 🗆	No information in the second i	tion
	Re Technical violations Suspected fraud	g of non-detriment		<u> </u>	No	No information	tion
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7	Re Technical violations Suspected fraud Insufficient basis for finding Insufficient basis for finding Other (specify) Are harvest and/or export quissuance of permits?	g of non-detriment g of legal acquisition	nt tool in				tion
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8	Re Technical violations Suspected fraud Insufficient basis for finding Insufficient basis for finding Other (specify) Are harvest and/or export quissuance of permits? Comments - How many times has the Sc	g of non-detriment g of legal acquisition uotas as a managemen	en reques	the proceed	dure for	Yes No No information	
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D6 Ca	pacity building							
1	Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectick if applicable						cable	
	tiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?							
	Increased budget for activities Improvement of national net-							
	Hiring of more staff		works Purchase of technical equipment for monitoring/enforcement					
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	Other (specify) -							
2	Have the CITES authorities received or		ted fron	n any o	f the	follov	wing capacity building	ng
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	Staff of Scientific Authority						-	
	Staff of enforcement authorities					<u> </u>		
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	Other parties/International meetings							
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Collaboration/co-operative initiatives Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES? Yes No $\overline{\boxtimes}$ No information If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet? -If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the Management Authority to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs. SAs. Customs. police, others): No informa-Other None Daily Weekly Monthly Annually tion (specify) \boxtimes Meetings Consultations X П П П At the national level have there been any efforts to col-Tick if applicable Details if availlaborate with: able Agencies for development and trade $\overline{\boxtimes}$ Provincial, state or territorial authorities $\overline{\boxtimes}$ Local authorities or communities Indigenous peoples Trade or other private sector associations \boxtimes NGOs Other (specify) -To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements Tick if for institutional cooperation related to CITES been agreed between the Manapplicable agement Authority and the following agencies? Scientific Authority Customs П Police Other border authorities (specify) - $\overline{\boxtimes}$ Other government agencies 百 Private sector bodies NGOs Other (specify) -Have Government staff participated in any regional activities related Tick if applicable to CITES? Workshops Meetings Other (specify) -Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to accede to the Yes Convention? No No information If Yes, which one(s) and in what way? -Has technical or financial assistance been provided to another country Yes in relation to CITES? No information If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provided? -Has any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES Identification Yes $\overline{\boxtimes}$ Manual? No information 12 If Yes, please give a brief description. -Have measures been taken to achieve co-ordination and reduce dupli- Yes $\overline{\boxtimes}$ cation of activities between the national authorities for CITES and No information П other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-

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related Conventions)?

14	If Yes, please give a brief description
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken: -

D8	Areas for future work					
1	Are any of the following activities needed to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation					
	at the national level and what is the respective level of priority?					
	Activity	High	Medium	Low		
	Increased budget for activities					
	Hiring of more staff					
	Development of implementation tools		\square			
	Improvement of national networks					
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforce-					
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	your country requiring attention or assistance?	No		닏		
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5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is required. The					
	organization of registration of specimens of an animal species bred in	n captivity	y or of a pla	int		
	species artificially propagated require attention and assistance					
6	Have any measures, procedures or mechanisms been identified	Yes				
	within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or sim-	No		× ×		
	plification?	No infor	mation			
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	
D4(10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES produced for educational or public awareness purposes	Enclosed Not available Not relevant	

Appendix I

1. Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus № 580 of December 8, 2004 "On some Measures on Increasing the Efficiency of Hunting Economy and Fishing Industry, Improvement of their State Management"

The Decree defines the functions, authorities and obligation of the state bodies and juridical persons in the sphere of hunting economy and fishing industry, as well as establishes the Rules of Hunting Economy and Hunting, Rules of Fishing Economy and Fishing. The given act fixes the Rates for the Determination of the Size of the Reimbursement of the Harm, Caused to the Environment by Natural and Juridical Persons as a Result of Illegal Withdrawal or Destruction of Wild Animals and Harmful Influence on their Habitats (Application to the Decree).

The Decree determines, in particular that

"on illegal withdrawal or destruction of:

wild animals, their parts or derivatives, under the action of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, signed in Washington March 3, 1973 (hereinafter - a sample of CITES), the damage is indemnified on the basis of rates according to the application, counted twice as much for each withdrawn or killed animal;

wild animals, referring to the types, included into the Red Book of the Republic of Belarus, and being the samples of CITES, damage is covered on the basis of rates according to the application, three times as much on each withdrawn or killed wild animal" (p. 1.4).

2. Decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus № 1412 of December 9, 2005 "On the Order of the Work with People Organization in the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection on the Issue of the Certificates or other Documents, Containing the Acknowledgement of the Facts, Having Legal Importance"

The Decision fixes the Order of the Arrangement of Work with People in the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection on Issue of the Certificates or other Documents, Containing the Acknowledgement of the Facts, Having Legal Importance.

In particular, p. 6 of the Application to this Decision defines the order of the permits on moving across the Customs Border of the Republic of Belarus animals and plants, their parts or derivatives, under the force of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, signed in Washington on March 3, 1973 (Convention CITES), issue. In order to get such permit a citizen should present a necessary order, approved by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, and represent the following documents to the Ministry:

- properly notarized on the established order, a copy of the contract or other document between exporter and importer with the indication of the transaction terms; animals and plants, their parts or derivatives, under the force of Convention CITES (CITES samples) transportation conditions;
- copy of the permit on animal or plants getting (catching, hunting, gathering), or documents, confirming legality of the CITES samples natural withdrawal, gained as a result of exchange, purchase, presenting, inheritances, or extract from the tribal book with the mark of the date and place of birth, tribal numbers and nick-names if animal was generated artificially. In case the given species is included into the Application I to the Convention CITES, indicate the information about its parents till the second generation;
- export permission, issued by competent Authorities of the State of export, corresponding to the terms of the Convention CITES for permits and certificates, in case of the CITES samples import to the Republic of Belarus from the country-exporter, which is not a party of the Convention CITES;

- import permission, issued by the Management Authorities on the Convention CITES of the State of import, in case of export from the territory of the Republic of Belarus the CITES specimens, included into Application I to the Convention CITES;
- export permission, issued by the Management Authorities on the Convention CITES of the State of export, in case of export of CITES specimens, which were earlier imported into the Republic of Belarus, or export permission, issued by the competent Authorities of the State of export, corresponding to the Convention CITES for permissions and certificates if the country-exporter is not a party of the Convention CITES.

The permission issue period – one month since the day of the order presentation. The permit expiration – in accordance with declared terms of the moving across the Customs Border of the RB, but not more than 6 months since day of the issue of the permission. The fees for the permission issue are not charged.

3. Decision of The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection,
Ministry of the Agriculture and Food, Ministry of Housing and Communal Services,
Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Belarus № 7/10/4/5 of February 23, 2005
"On some Questions of the Keeping of Wild Animals under the Force of the Convention
on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora"

The Decision fixes the list of organizations which can temporary dispose wild animals, referring to the species under the force of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora; confirms the norms of the square of the premises for keeping CITES specimens and norms of their up-keeping; approves the composition of the joint commission on the consideration of the questions of the wild animals – CITES specimens temporary keeping of.

The list of organizations, which can realize the temporary keeping of wild animals, includes:

- Republican Unitary Enterprise "Brest Border Export-Import Station";
- Cultural-Enlightning Communal Subsidiary Unitary Enterprise "Minsk ZOO";
- State Culture Establishment "Grodno Zoological Park";
- State Establishment "Zhlobin City ZOO".

4. Decision of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Belarus № 64 of September 16, 2005

"On Approving the Nomenclature of Goods, Forbidden and Limited to Moving Across the Customs Border of the Republic of Belarus"

The present document in order to improve the organization of the Customs registration and Customs supervision of goods, forbidden and limited to moving across the Customs Border of the Republic of Belarus, establishes the nomenclature of goods of the named categories, including "nomenclature of animals and plants, their parts or derivatives, under the force of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, signed in Washington March 3, 1973 (hereinafter - Convention CITES), limited to moving across the Customs Border of the Republic of Belarus, according to Application 6" (p. 1, paragraph 6).

The Decision also fixes that "the term of moving across the Customs Border of the Republic of Belarus of animals and plants, their parts and (or) derivatives, specified in Application 6 to the present Decision, is an original of the permit, issued by Convention CITES Administrative Authorities of the State, from the territory of which is realized their export, with the exception of moving across the Customs Border by natural persons for the private consumption of the roe of sturgeon fish (black roe) in the amount, not exceeding 250 grams per person" (p. 2.3).

Application 6 to the Decision contains the nomenclature of animals and plants, their parts and (or) derivatives, under the force of the Convention CITES, limited to moving across the Customs Border

of the Republic of Belarus, which includes 1048 taxonomic units of animals and 185 taxonomic units of plants.

5. Decision of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Belarus № 100 of December 26, 2005

"On Approving the Instruction on the Control, Storage, Preliminary Estimation and Transmission for Realization or other Use of Goods, Transport Facilities and other Subjects, Withdrawn, Arrested, Detained, Taken for Temporary Keeping by Customs Organs of the Republic of Belarus or in Respect to which Is Issued a Customs Permission for the Use of Goods in the Customs Mode of Refusal from the Goods in Favor of the State"

The Decision fixes "The Instruction on the Control, Storage, Preliminary Estimation and Transmission for Realization or other Use of Goods, Transport Facilities and other Subjects, Withdrawn, Arrested, Detained, Taken for Temporary Keeping by Customs Organs of the Republics of Belarus or in Respect to Which Is Issued a Customs Permission for the Use of Goods in the Customs Mode of Refusal from the Goods in Favor of the State".

P. 78 of Chapter 10 of the Instruction reads:

"Primary account of withdrawn, arrested or turned into the income of the State alive and dead wild animals and wild plants, their parts or derivatives (hereinafter unless it is specified other, - specimens), under the force of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, signed in Washington on March 3, 1973 (hereinafter - CITES), perform the Customs in the order fixed by the present Instruction.

The preliminary specimens estimation is made by the Customs executives in accordance with taxonomic (systematic) categories wild animals and plants according to the Rates for the Determination of the Size of the Reimbursement of the Harm, Caused to the Environment by Natural and Juridical Persons as a Result of Illegal Withdrawal or Destruction of Wild Animals and Harmful Influence on their Habitats approved by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus № 580 of December 8, 2005 "On some Measures on Increasing the Efficiency of Hunting Economy and Fishing Industry, Improvement of their State Management".

In case of absence of the rates on separate categories of wild animals and plants the preliminary estimation is conducted in accordance with the materials of the CITES Secretariat or on the basis of acting free (market) prices.

After specimens registration Customs organs provide application making to the corresponding Phytosanitary and Veterinary Control Authorities for undertaking the expert operation in accordance with the acting legislation.

In possibly short period since the day of the withdrawal (arrest) of the specimens the Customs Organs are obliged to notify the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus about it.

The notification includes the following data:

- name of the biological type of the specimen, if possible the taxonomic (systematic) features (the class, order, family);
 - number of specimens;
- description of the specimen, including size, color, particularities, for alive wild animals if possible age, sex, color, identification marks or number if any;
- information about the specimen, State-exporter, presence of accompanying documents, copies of document on the grounds of which withdrawal (arrest) is realized;
- information about the person, owner of the withdrawn (arrested) specimens: for juridical persons full title, address; for natural persons a surname, name, patronymic, address, passport data, nationality.

Copy of the conclusion of the organs of the State Service on Quarantine of the Plants or State Veterinary Inspectors is applied.

Withdrawn, arrested life specimens are kept in specially equipped premises of the Customs organs.

II there are no specially equipped premises for keeping living specimens, Customs Organs within a day since the moment of the specimens withdrawal (arrest) in accordance with points 30 and 32 of the present Instruction should send them for keeping:

wild animals – to the organizations determined by resolution № 7/10/4/5 of February 23, 2005 "
On some Questions of the Keeping of Wild Animals under the Force of the Convention on International
Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora ", or to other organizations determined by the
Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus;

wild plants – to The Central Botanical Garden of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus or to other organizations determined by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus.

The Customs organs, as well as organizations, which receive the life specimens for temporary keeping are obliged to provide a proper care after them.

In case of taking the decision to address the specimen into the income of the State, the Customs send the materials for registration to the commission in accordance with Chapter 6 of the present Instruction.

The Customs organs not later than 3 days after they receive the decision on the address of the specimens into the income of the State or the return back to the owner notify the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus about it, sending the copy of the decision, as well as inform the corresponding to commission on registration of the specimens.

On the basis of presented documents and a conclusion of The National Academy of Sciences of Belarus the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus within 30 days since the day of the reception of the notification on the address of the specimens into the income of the State from Customs organ takes one of the following decisions on the use of specimens:

return to State-exporter (after the consultation with the corresponding State);

introduction of the specimens into the natural environment in accordance with the legislation on protection and use of the animal world and legislation on plant world;

gratuitous transfer in the order, fixed by legislation acts, controlling the issues of the work with property turned into the income of the State by juridical persons in scientific, and educational, as well as recreational, esthetic and other purposes in the cultural activity process realization;

transfer for realization in accordance with requirements of chapter 6 of the present Instruction in case of impossibility of decision making, specified in paragraph 2 - 4 of the present Part;

destruction in the order, fixed in chapter 7 of the present Instruction, wild animals (with the preliminary mortification) – if there is a corresponding conclusions of the organ of State Veterinary Inspectors, wild plants – if there is a corresponding conclusion of the organs of State Service on Quarantine of the Plants.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus notifies the corresponding to commission on the decision taken not later than 5 working days after its taking".