PART 1 - CITES QUESTIONS

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Party	Ireland
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Details of agency preparing this report	CITES Management Authority - Ireland Species Protection Unit Science & Biodiversity Section National Parks & Wildlife Service Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Management Authority, Scientific Authority and Enforcement Authorities (Customs)

A. General information

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CITES-			eady been provided	Yes (fully)			
	under the CITES National I	-	roject?		Yes (j	Yes (partly)		
	If yes, ignore questions 2, 3	and 4.			No			
					No in	formatior	n/unknown	
2	If your country has planned details:	, drafted or e	enacted any	CITES-relevant le	gislation, plea	ase provid	le the following	
	Title and date: Wildlife (Im Fauna and Flora) (Design			Status: Enacted				
	Airports) (Amendment) R							
	Brief description of content		-		o n.			
3	http://www.irishstatutebook				Yes			
3	Is enacted legislation availa Convention?	ble in one of	i the worki	ng languages of the	No			
	convention.					formation	, Ц	
4	If yes, please attach a copy	of the full le	oislative te	xt or key legislative		tion attac		
	provisions that were gazette		Bisiani e te	ne of ney fogiolative	U	ed previo		
					-	-	vill send later	
5	Which of the following issu				neasures that	Tick	all applicable	
	your country has adopted for		-					
	(in accordance with Article			·				
			The condit				prohibition of:	
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No information	
	Trade					\boxtimes		
	Taking					\boxtimes		
	Possession					\bowtie		
	Transport					\bowtie		
	Other (specify)					\boxtimes		
	Additional comments						niformes requires	
							ES requirements.	
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6	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness ofTick all applicableCITES legislation, with regard to the following items?Tick all applicable					
	Item	Inadequate	No information			
	Powers of CITES authorities		\boxtimes			
	Clarity of legal obligations				\boxtimes	
	Control over CITES trade				\boxtimes	
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use				\boxtimes	
	Coverage of law for all types of offences				\boxtimes	
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties				\boxtimes	
	Implementing regulations				\boxtimes	
	Coherence within legislation				\square	
	Other (please specify):				\boxtimes	
	Please provide details if available:					
7	If no review or assessment has taken pla reporting period?	ace, is one planne	d for the next	Yes No No	information	
	Please provide details if available:					
8	Has there been any review of legislation relation to implementation of the Conve		subjects in	Tick al	l applicable	
	Subject		Yes	No	No information	
	Access to or ownership of natural resou	rces		\square		
	Harvesting			\square		
	Transporting of live specimens			\square		
	Handling and housing of live specimens	5		\square		
	Please provide details if available:					
9	Please provide details of any additional	measures taken:				

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No	No information
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been un	dertaken?		
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:			
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	\boxtimes		
	Border controls	\boxtimes		
	Other (specify)			\square
2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?	\boxtimes		
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If Annex.	available, p	lease attacl	n details as
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made? (See Q 7)			

5	If information available:		Numł	ber	
	Signifiant seizures /confiscations	4 45			
	Total seizures/confiscations	45			
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details on annex. Data supplied in Annexes.			1	
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES- related violations?	\boxtimes			
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please a	attach deta	ails as Ann	ex.	
	In August 2012 an Irish National was found guilty of ille handbags from Indonesia without a CITES Import Permit or a The specimens were from the species <i>Python reticulatus</i> which The Judge applied the Probation Act. The Defendant was orde (Approximate value \in 2000) were forfeited to the State.	validate is CITE	d CITES S listed o	Export Pe n Append	ermit. lix II.
	In March 2013 two Irish Nationals were convicted at Ennis Distreight Rhino horns. Customs officers at Shannon Airport seized when they intercepted two men returning from Faro, Portugal. with three months in default.	the hor	ns in Janu	ary 2010	U U
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?				
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please at	tach detail	s as Annex	•	
10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?		Т	ick if appl	icable
	 Return to country of export 				
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 				
	 Designated rescue centres 				
	 Approved, private facilities 				
	– Euthanasia				
	 Other (specify) Comments: Some specimens such as hoodia are destroyed. Other specimens 	aimone	ro kont og	tools for	
	training purposes.	cillens a	ire kept as	10015 101	
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed information	-	Yes		
	significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE o other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and		No	1.1	
	persistent offenders?		Not appli No inforn		\square
	Comments:			liation	
12	Has your country been involved in cooperative enforcement activities with	ith	Yes		\boxtimes
12	other countries		No		
	(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance joint operation, etc.)?		No inform	ation	
13	If Yes, please give a brief description: Intelligence has been exchanged specifically on Rhino Horn. Intelligence exchange and investigative a other EU CITES Management Authorities.		-	-	so via
14	Has your country offered any incentives to local communities to assist in		Yes		
	enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction offenders?		No		\square
			No inform	ation	
15	If Yes, please describe:				
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement		Yes		
			No		\bowtie

		Not applicable	
		No information	
	Comments:		
17	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the MA(s) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?	Yes No 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 designated?	Yes No No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead M	A in the CITES Direc	tory.
5	How many staff work in each MA?		
	Since June 2009 3 people work in the MA, but not on a full time bas their work is CITES related	s. Approximately 40	% of
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES related	Yes	\boxtimes
	matters?	No	
	If yes, please give estimation	No information	
	related work and 1 person spends 20%. Or collectively 40% approximately. This is a general % which increased significantly in 2012 with the work associated with holding meetings for the CITES Plants Committee and Joint Session of the Animals Committee/Plants Committee held in Dublin March 2012 and the preparation for Irelands holding of the EU Presidency in 2013.		
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if ap	plicable
	– Administration		\boxtimes
	– Biology		
	– Economics/trade		
	– Law/policy		
	– Other (specify)		
	– No information		
8	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to	Yes	
	CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species	No	\boxtimes
	identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)?	No information	
9	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of researc	ch involved.	
10	Please provide details of any additional measures taken		

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been	i any changes in f	he designation of	or contact i	information	Yes		
			ich are not yet refl			No	\boxtimes	
	Directory?	5	,			No information		
2	If Yes, please u	se the opportunity	to provide those	changes he	ere.			
2	Has your country designated a Scientific Authority independent from the Yes							
3	Management A		cientific Authority	independe	ent from the	Yes		
	Management A	utilotity?				No No information		
	XX 71 1							
4) in your country?			Ticl	t if applicable	
		nent institution						
		ic or research ins	titution					
		ent committee						
	– Pool of	individuals with c	ertain expertise					
	– Other (s	pecify)						
5	How many staff	f work in each SA	on CITES issues	? There is	one SA with	one staff memb	er.	
6	•	te the percentage	of time they spend	d on CITES	S related	Yes	\boxtimes	
	matters?					No		
	If yes, please gi					No information	ı 🗌	
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11	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

D3 Enforcement Authorities

1	To date, has your country advised the Secretariat of any enforcement authorities that have been designated for the receipt of confidential enforcement information related to CITES?	Yes No No information	$\square \square$
2	If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email).		
3	Has your country established a specialized unit responsible for CITES- related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor's office)?	Yes No Under consideration No information	
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement:		
5	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1	To what extent is CIT	Tick if applicable							
	 Monitoring an 								
	– Monitoring an	\boxtimes							
	– Permit issuanc	e					\square		
	– Not at all								
	– Other (specify)							
2	Do the following auth	orities h	ave access t	to the Interr	net?	-	Tick if applicable		
	Authority	Yes, continuous and unrestricted access	Yes, but only through a dial-up connection	Yes, but only through a different office	Some offices only	Not at all	Please provide details where appropriate		
	Management Authority								
	Scientific Authority	\boxtimes							
	Enforcement Authority								
3	Authority Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES Yes Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Constraint of the system providing information on CITES No Image: Consten on the system providing information on the s								

4	If Yes, does it provide information on:		Tick if applicable	
	– Legislation (national, regional or internation			
	– Conservation status (national, regional, inte			\boxtimes
	– Other (please specify)?			
5	Is it available through the Internet:		Yes	
	-		No	
			applicable	
			No	information
	Please provide URL: <u>http://www.unep-wcmc.org/i</u>			
6	Do the following authorities have access to the follo		r i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	Tick if applicable
	Publication	Management Authority	Scientific Authority	Enforcement Authority
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)	\square		\square
	2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices (CD-ROM)		\square	\boxtimes
	Identification Manual	\square	\square	\boxtimes
	CITES Handbook			\boxtimes
7	If not, what problems have been encountered to acc	cess to the mentioned	l information?	
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Mana, – Mortality in transport? – Seizures and confiscations?	gement Authority on	1:	Tick if applicable
	– Discrepancy in number of items in permit and n	number of items actu	ally traded?	\boxtimes
	Comments: Customs have submitted details on so return Page 3 of CITES Import/Export Permits		ations and do	
9	Is there a government website with information on		Yes	\boxtimes
	requirements?		No	
			No 11	formation
	If Yes, please give the URL: http://www.npws.ie/legislationandconventions/cites	<u>s/</u>		
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the bring about better accessibility to and understanding requirements to the wider public?			Tick if applicable
Į	 Press releases/conferences 			\boxtimes
	- Newspaper articles, radio/television appeara	ances		\boxtimes
	– Brochures, leaflets			
	– Presentations			\boxtimes
	– Displays			\boxtimes
	 Information at border crossing points 			
	 Telephone hotline 			
	– Other (specify)			
	Please attach copies of any items as Annex.		_	_
11	Please provide details of any additional measures ta http://www.ahg.gov.ie/en/PressReleases/2012/Marc			4 <u>,en.html</u>

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit for						Yes 🖂				
	empowered to sign CITES perm Secretariat?	hits/certificates bee	n reported	previ	lously to	o the					
							Not applicable				
	If no, please provide details of a										
	Changes in permit format: the requirements of COMMI No 792/2012.										
	Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials: No Changes.										
2	To date, has your country devel following?	the	Tick if applicable								
					Yes	No	No information				
	Permit issuance/acceptance					\square					
	Registration of traders			Ļ							
	Registration of producers					\square					
3	Please indicate how many CITH						1				
	(Note that actual trade is norma documents).		Annual Re	port l	by Partie	es. This q					
	Year 1 (2011)	Import or introduction from the sea	Export	Re	-export	Other	Comments				
	How many documents were issued?	35	6		5	239	Other = CITES Certificates or EC Trade Certificates exclusively.				
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis- information?						No exact record has been kept of CITES Applications denied for such reasons.				
	Year 2 (2012) How many documents were issued?	27	3		12	300	Other = CITES Certificates or EC Trade Certificates exclusively.				
	How many applications were denied because of severe omissions or mis- information?						No exact record has been kept of CITES Applications denied for such reasons.				
4	Were any CITES documents th of severe omissions or mis-info		cancelled	and r	replaced	because	Yes No No information				
5	If Yes, please give the reasons	for this									
6	Please give the reasons for re countries.		document	ts fro	om othe	r	Tick if applicable				
		ason			Yes	No	No information				
	Technical violations										
	Suspected fraud										
	Insufficient basis for finding of	non-detriment									
	Insufficient basis for finding of										
	Other (specify)										
7	Are harvest and/or export quota	s as a management	tool in the	e proc	edure f	or	Yes 🛛				
	issuance of permits?						No □ □ No information □				
	Comments: (When processing quotas for the species concern					ort					

8	How many times has the Scientific Authority been requested to provide opinions? Impo Applications are submitted to the SA for its opinion. Certificate Applications are u to the SA, unless they are considered contentious or involve requests for Certificate movement from "Authorised locations" in accordance with Article 9 of Council Re 338/97. Thus based on the numbers at 3. above approximately 100 times.	sually not submitted es to allow
9	Has the Management Authority charged fees for permit issuance, registration or related CITES activities?	Tick if applicable
	– Issuance of CITES documents:	
	 Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species: 	
	 Harvesting of CITES-listed species : 	
	– Use of CITES-listed species:	
	 Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species: 	
	 Importing of CITES-listed species: 	
	– Other (specify):	
10	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees. (No fees are charged by the Irish MA or SA)	
11	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation?	Tick if applicable
	– Entirely:	
	– Partly:	
	– Not at all:	
	– Not relevant:	\boxtimes
	Comments:	
12	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:	

D6 Capacity building

1	Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of Tick if a CITES implementation at the national level?											
	Increased budget for activities		Improv networ	vement c rks	of natio	onal						
	Hiring of more staff			use of tec pring/enf			pment for					
	Development of implementation tools		Comp	uterisatio	on							
	– Other (specify)											
2	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>recipient</i> of any of the following capacity building activities provided by external sources?											
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources?					
	Staff of Management Authority											
	Staff of Scientific Authority											
	Staff of enforcement authorities											
	Traders											
	NGOs											
	Public											
	Other (specify)											

3	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity building activities?										
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.	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						Traders/Public/NGOs queries answered on regular basis.				
	NGOs	\boxtimes									
	Public	\boxtimes									
	Other parties/International meetings										
	Other (specify)										
4	Please provide details of any additional mea	asures ta	ken								

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES?	Yes	
		No	\boxtimes
		No information	
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet?		

3	If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the MA to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs, SA(s), Customs, police, others):										
		Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Other (specify)			
	Meetings							The MA and SA meet on an ad hoc basis approximately once a month. The MA, SA and Customs and National Parks and Wildlife Services Enforcement Staff meet about 2-3 times per annum.			
	Consultations							The MA consults with the SA on an ad hoc basis on various issues, probably a couple of times a week. The MA consults with the Enforcement Authorities also on an ad hoc basis, less frequently than with the SA but still approximately a few times a month.			
4	At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:						f applicable	Details if available			
	-	Agencies for development and trade									
		rovincial, state or territorial authorities									
		Local authorities or communities									
	Indigenous people										
	Trade or other pri	vate sect	or associat	ions							
	NGOs										
	Other (specify)										

5	To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements for institutional cooperation related to CITES been agreed between the MA and the following agencies?	Tick if app	olicable
	SA		
	Customs (National Wildlife Trade Enforcement Plan 2010-2015 was completed in 2010 and reported on in the last biennial report.)		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Has your country participated in any regional activities related to CITES?	Tick if app	olicable
	Workshops		
	Meetings		
	Other (specify)		
7	Has your country encouraged any non-Party to accede to Yes the Convention? No No information		
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to another country in relation to CITES?	Yes No No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provided?		
11	Has your country provided any data for inclusion in the CITES Identification Manual?	Yes No No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
13	Has your country taken measures to achieve co-ordination and reduce duplication of activities between the national authorities for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the biodiversity-related Conventions)?	Yes No No information	
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:		

D8 Areas for future work

1	Are any of the following activities needed to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level and what is the respective level of priority?							
	Activity	High	Medium	Low				
	Increased budget for activities	\square						
	Hiring of more staff	\square						
	Development of implementation tools							
	Improvement of national networks	\square						
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement							
	Computerisation		\boxtimes					
	Other (specify)							
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific	Yes						
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?	No						
		No info	rmation	\boxtimes				
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?							
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country	Yes		\boxtimes				
	requiring attention or assistance?	No						
		No inf	ormation					
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is staff in the MA & SA available to devote time on CITES issues.	required	. A shortag	e of				
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms within the	Yes						
0	Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No						
	r i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		ormation	\square				
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	\boxtimes
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed	
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
C5	Details of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	
		Not available	\boxtimes
		Not relevant	
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed	\boxtimes
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
C9	Details of violations and results of court actions	Enclosed	\boxtimes
		Not available	
		Not relevant	
D4 (10)	Details of nationally produced brochures or leaflets on CITES produced for	Enclosed	
	educational or public awareness purposes,	Not available	
		Not relevant	\boxtimes
	Comments		

ANNEX - PROPOSED BIENNIAL REPORT FORMAT

Part 2 - Supplementary Questions¹

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

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¹ Part 2 agreed at COM 45

PART 2 - SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

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PART 2 SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

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

1b	If not already provided under questions B (2) and B (4), please provide details of any national legislation that has been updated in this reporting period and attach the full legislative text.									
2b	If your country has planned, drafted or enacted any additional Regulation -relevant legislation, other than that reported under question B (2) or above, please provide the following details:									
	Title and date:			Status:						
	Brief description of conten	nts:								
5b	Has your country adopted any stricter domestic measures, other than those reported under question B(5), specifically for non CITES-listed species ² ? Tick all applicable categories below that these categories apply to.									
			The condi	tions for:	r	The complete	prohibition of:			
	Issue	Yes	No	No information	n Ye	s No	No information			
	Trade									
	Taking									
	Possession									
	Transport									
	Other (specify)									
	Additional comments									
8b	Has there been any review relation to implementation					No	No information			
	Introduction of live Regul	ation_listed	species int	o the						
	Community that would the (in accordance with Article	reaten the in	digenous f			E.N.				
	Marking specimens to fac with Article 19, paragraph		fication (in	accordance		\boxtimes				
	Please provide details if a	vailable:								
9b	Please provide the following details about Regulations-related violations: Maximum penalties that may be imposed; (The maximum penalty would be following a conviction on indictment, which has a maximum fine of €100,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both. This maximum fine was increased from €63,487 by the Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2010.) i)									
			sures taken	in relation to impl	ementatio	n of the Regul	ation not reported			

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

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

C. Compliance and enforcement measures

2b	Have any actions, in addition to those reported in C (2-9) above, been taken for Regulation-related violations?	Yes No No information	
9b	Please provide the following details about Regulations-related violations:i)Maximum sanctions which have been imposed over this reporting perii)The outcomes of any prosecutions;	iod;	
16b	Has there been any review or assessment of Regulation-related enforcement, in addition to that reported under C (16) above?	Yes No No information	
18 new	Comments: Have specimens been marked to establish whether they were born and bred in captivity? (In accordance with <i>Commission Regulation (EC) No.</i> <i>865/2006</i> , Article 66) Comments:	Yes No No information	
19 new	Have any monitoring activities been undertaken to ensure that the intended accommodation for a live specimen at the place of destination is adequately equipped to conserve and care for it properly? (In accordance with Article 4 paragraph 1 (c) of <i>Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97</i>).	Yes No No information	
20 new	Comments: Have national action plans for co-ordination of enforcement, with clearly defined objectives and timeframes been adopted, and are they harmonized and reviewed on a regular basis? (In accordance with <i>Commission</i> <i>Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIa.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: (National Wildlife Trade Enforcement Plan 2010-2015, was c	ompleted in 2010)	
21 new	Do enforcement authorities have access to specialized equipment and relevant expertise, and other financial and personnel resources? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIb.) If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	
[Comments:		
22 new	Do penalties take into account inter alia the market value of the specimens and the conservation value of the species involved in the offence, and the costs incurred? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007)</i> <i>2551</i> , paragraph IIc.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: Any penalties (imprisonments or fines) following conviction a Judge subject to the maximum allowable penalties allowed for under the		f the

23 new	Are training and/or awareness raising activities being carried out for a) enforcement agencies, b) prosecution services, and c) the judiciary? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IId.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
24 new	Are regular checks on traders and holders such as pet shops, breeders and nurseries being undertaken to ensure in-country enforcement? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIg.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
25 new	Are risk and intelligence assessment being used systematically in order to ensure thorough checks at border-crossing points as well as in-country? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IIh.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
26 new	Are facilities available for the temporary care of seized or confiscated live specimens, and are mechanisms in place for their long-term re-homing, where necessary? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph Iii.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
27 new	Is cooperation taking place with relevant enforcement agencies in other Member States on investigations of offences under Regulation No. (EC) 338/97? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IIIe.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		
28 new	Is assistance being provided to other Member States with the temporary care and long-term re-homing of seized or confiscated live specimens? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIIj.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments:		

29 new	Is liaison taking place with CITES MAs and law enforcement agencies in source, transit and consumer countries outside of the Community as well as the CITES Secretariat, ICPO, Interpol and the World Customs Organization to help detect, deter and prevent illegal trade in wildlife through the exchange of information and intelligence? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C</i> (2007) 2551, paragraph IIIk.)	Yes No No information	
	Comments: See C.11 and C.13 above.		
30 new	Is advice and support being provided to CITES MAs and law enforcement agencies in source, transit and consumer countries outside of the Community to facilitate legal and sustainable trade through correct application of procedures? (In accordance with <i>Commission Recommendation C (2007) 2551</i> , paragraph IIII.) Comments:	Yes No No information	

D. Administrative measures

D1 Management Authority (MA)

8b	Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to non CITES-listed species or technical issues (e.g. species identification) not covered in D2 (8) and D2 (9)?	Yes No No information	
11 new	Has the Commission and the CITES Secretariat (if relevant) been informed of the outcomes of any investigations that the Commission has considered it necessary be made? (In accordance with Article 14 paragraph 2 of <i>Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97</i>)?	Yes No No information	$\square \square \boxtimes$

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

8b	Have any reserved relation to non	Yes No											
		No informatio	n 🖾										
9b	If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved.												
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify)						
	1												
	2												
	3												
	etc.												
			No information	on 🛛									

11	How many Scientific Review Group (SRG) meetings have the SA	Number (8)	\boxtimes
new	attended?		
	Indicate any difficulties that rendered attendance to the SRG difficult:		

D3 Enforcement Authorities

6	Has a liaison officer/focal point for CITES been nominated within each relevant enforcement authority in	
new	your country? Yes	\boxtimes
	No	
	Under consideration [
	No information [

D4 Communication, information management and exchange

1b	Is Regulation-related information in your country computerized on?	Tick if appl	icable
	 Annex D listed species 		
	- Other matters not reported on in question D4 (1) (please specify)		
3b	Do you have an electronic information system providing information on Regulation-listed species?	Yes No	
	(See Part I D4 Question 3.)	No information	

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

9b	Has the Management Authority charged fees for any Regulation-related matters not covered in question D5 (9)? If yes, please provide details of these Regulation-related matters and the amount of any such fees.	Yes No No information	
13 new	Can you indicate the percentage of permits/certificates issued that are returned to the MA after endorsement by customs?	Percentage :% No information	\square
14 new	Has a list of places of introduction and export in your country been compiled in accordance with Article 12 of <i>Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97</i> ? If yes, please attach. <u>http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/2011/en/si/0377.html</u> (See Part I B.2 above)	Yes No No information	
15 new	Have persons and bodies been registered in accordance with Articles 18 and 19 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	
16 new	Have Scientific institutions been registered in accordance with Article 60 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	
17 new	Have breeders been approved in accordance with Article 63 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	
18 new	Have Caviar (re-)packaging plants been licensed in accordance with Article 66 (7) of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	
19 new	Are phytosanitary certificates used in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006? If yes, please provide details.	Yes No No information	

20	Have cases occurred where export permits and re-export certificates were	Yes	
new	issued retrospectively in accordance with Article 15 of Commission	No	\boxtimes
	Regulation (EC) No. 865/2006?	No information	
	If yes, please provide details.		

D8 Areas for future work

2b	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific suspensions or negative opinions adopted by the European Commission? (In accordance with Article 4 (6)).	Yes No No information	
4b	Have any constraints to implementation of the Regulation, not reported under question D8 (4), arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	Yes No No information	

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								2011								
	(2)	(3)	(1)				(4)	(5) ອ	(6) o			Country of		(10) v		
No of Seizures	Date of offence	Reference No.	Items	No. specimens	Weight (Kg)	Volume (m³)	Description/ Term	Purpose of Trade as declared	Source of Trade as declared	departure (7)	transit 1 (8)	transit 2 (8)	destination (9)	Place of offence	City	Reporting Agency
1	04/02/2011	89160) Hoodia Gordonii Plus	180		Tab				PL			IE	DMC	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
	13/02/2011	89605	Crocodile Ashtray	1						SD			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
2	13/02/2011	89605	Crocodile Handbag	1						SD			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
3	23/02/2011	90262	Hoodia Gordonii Plus	60		Tab				US			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
4	11/03/2011	91109	Hoodia Gordonii	180		Tab				ZA			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
5	15/04/2011	93750	P57 Hoodia	175		Tab				ТН			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
	10/06/2011	96398	Vory Bracelets	2						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
6	10/06/2011	96398	3 Ivory Staff	1						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
7	12/07/2011	98342	R Hoodia	540		Tab				US			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
8	22/07/2011	98964	Hoodia P57	60		Tab				ZA			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
	23/08/2011		Spitting Cobra (Naja Siamensis)	1						CZ			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
9	23/08/2011	101170	Imperial Scorpion	1						CZ			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
10	01/09/2011	104238	Coral	745		Grm				JM			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
11	01/09/2011	102478	B Hoodia	30		Tab				CN			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
12	08/09/2011	102479	Hoodia	30		Tab				CN			IE	AMC	Athlone	Revenue Commissioners
13	15/11/2011	103018	P57 Hoodia	600		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
14	15/11/2011	103019	P57 Hoodia	60		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
15	26/11/2011	103905	Crocodile Skull	1						AU			IE	DMC	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
	03/11/2011	106640	Crocodile Handbag	2						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
	03/11/2011	106640	Ostrich Handbag	1						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
	03/11/2011	106640	Crocodile Belt	3						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
16	03/11/2011	106640	Reptile Belt	2						NG			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners

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	(2)	(3)	(1)				(4)	(5)	(6)			Country of		(10)		
	Date of offence	Reference No.	Items	No. specimens	Weight (Kg)	Volume (m ³)	Description/ Term	Purpose of Trade as declared	Source of Trade as declared	departure (7)	transit 1 (8)	transit 2 (8)	destination (9)	Place of offence	City	Reporting Agency
17	15/11/2011	107129	Coral	1						MU			IE	DAE	Dublin	Revenue Commissioners
18	16/11/2011	107288	Phenocal (Contained Hoodia)	150		Tab				US			IE	SAP	Shannon	Revenue Commissioners
19	18/11/2011	107635	Phenocal (Contained Hoodia)	600		Tab				US			IE	SAP	Shannon	Revenue Commissioners
20	21/11/2011	107655	P57 Hoodia	180		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
21	13/12/2011	109235	P57 Hoodia	30		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
22	13/12/2011	109238	P57 Hoodia	30		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
23	13/12/2011	109240	P57 Hoodia 500mg	900		Tab				CN			IE	PPD	Portlaoise	Revenue Commissioners
24	21/12/2011	109815	Hoodia	120		Tab				US			IE	AMD	Air Mail U	Revenue Commissioners
25	01/07/2011	N/A	6 Snake Skin handbags (Python	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	National Parks and Wildlife Service