

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



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2005/035	Geneva, 6 July 2005

CONCERNING:

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES BIENNIAL REPORT: 2013 - 2014

- 1. Pursuant to Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP13), the Secretariat is distributing, as an attachment to this Notification, the biennial report format that was adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004).
- 2. Parties are urged to submit to the Secretariat their biennial reports required under Article VIII, paragraph 7 (b), of the Convention in accordance with the attached format. In addition to the printed and electronic versions of the format, which are currently available in Word and PDF, an interactive version should be accessible on the CITES website later this year.
- 3. The period to be covered by the biennial report is from 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004 for all Parties, regardless of their date of entry into force of the Convention. The deadline for submitting the report for 2003-2004 is on 31 October 2005.
- 4. Parties that have already submitted a biennial report for the period 2003-2004, using a different format, are not required to resubmit that report but are encouraged to use the new format for the period 2005-2006.
- 5. The Secretariat will make available on the CITES website a regularly updated table of biennial report submissions and will prepare an analysis of those submissions for the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Biennial report format

Article VIII, paragraph 7, of the Convention requires each Party to submit to the CITES Secretariat a biennial report on legislative, regulatory and administrative measures taken to enforce the provisions of the Convention.

The present format for the submission of biennial reports was adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004).

This format allows Parties to present information in a standard manner, so that it can be easily computerized, with three main objectives:

- i) To enable monitoring of the implementation and effectiveness of the Convention;
- ii) To facilitate the identification of major achievements, significant developments, or trends, gaps or problems and possible solutions; and
- iii) Provide a basis for substantive and procedural decision-making by the Conference of the Parties and various subsidiary bodies.

Information on the nature and extent of CITES trade should be incorporated into the annual report, whereas the biennial report should focus on measures taken to implement the Convention.

General principles

- i) The biennial report format that follows is divided into five parts:
 - A. General information;
 - B. **Legislative and regulatory measures**: related to adoption and review of laws and regulations;
 - C. **Compliance and enforcement measures**: related to compliance monitoring as well as administrative, civil or criminal enforcement;
 - D. Administrative measures: related to the structure and activities of CITES authorities: and
 - E. General feedback.
- ii) Each biennial report should cover the period from 1 January of the first year to 31 December of the second year covered by the report. The report should be submitted to the Secretariat by 31 October of the year following the reporting period.
- iii) Biennial reports should be prepared in one of the three working languages of the Convention (English, French, Spanish).
- iv) Parties are encouraged to prepare and submit their biennial reports in electronic form.

Specific instructions

- i) Parties are encouraged to respond to all questions.
- ii) Unless otherwise indicated, responses should reflect measures taken during the reporting period.
- iii) This reporting format is intended to be completed by making use of tick boxes and expandable space.
- iv) The format is designed so that a reporting agency can take as much space as required to give a full answer.
- v) Please contact the Secretariat if any clarification in the preparation of the report is required.

A. General information

Party	United Arab Emirates
Period covered in this report: 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004	The period covered by this report is 1st January 2013 - 31st December 2014
Details of agency preparing this report	Ministry of Environment and Water (MOEW) & Environment Agency - ABU DHABI (EAD)
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	

B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	Has information on CIT				Yes (fu	• ,		\boxtimes
	provided under the CIT		_	tion Project?	Yes (pa	artly)		
	If yes, ignore questions	2, 3 and 4	4.		No			
							/unknown	
2	If any CITES-relevant le following details:	egislation	has been	planned, drafted	or enact	ed, plea	se provide t	he
	Title and date:	Status:						
	Brief description of cont	ents:						
3	Is enacted legislation available in one of the working							
	languages of the Convention?				No			
					No info	ormation		
4	If yes, please attach a c	opy of the	e full legisl	ative text or key	y legislation attached			
	legislative provisions the	at were ga	azetted.		provided previously			
					not available, will send			<u> </u>
					later	, , , ,		
5	Which of the following is	ssues are	addresse	ed by any stricter of	domestic	: Т	ick all applic	cable
	measures adopted for 0		ed specie	s (in accordance	with Artic	cle		
	XIV of the Convention)?	?						
		T	he condit	ions for:	The c	omplete	prohibition	
	Issue	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No informa	ation
				information			<u> </u>	
	Trade				Ш			
	Taking				\boxtimes			
	Possession							
	Transport							
	Other (specify)							
	Additional comments Po	ossession	measure	s are similar to th	ose und	er CITE:	S regulation	

6	What were the results of any review of CITES legislation, with regard t			iveness T	ick all applicable
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information
	Powers of CITES authorities	\boxtimes			
	Clarity of legal obligations	\boxtimes			
	Control over CITES trade				
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use				
	Coverage of law for all types of offences	\boxtimes			
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties	\boxtimes			
	Implementing regulations				
	Coherence within legislation	\square			
	Other (please specify):				
	Please provide details if available there are cases where the offender	ers are unknov	vn.	ons is partial	ly inadequate as
7	If no review or assessment has ta the next reporting period?	ıken place, is o	ne planned for	Yes No No int	formation
	Please provide details if available				
8	Has there been any review of legingler relation to implementation of the Complex control of			ts in T	īck all applicable
	Subject		Yes	No	No information
	Access to or ownership of natural	resources			
	Harvesting				
	Transporting of live specimens				
	Handling and housing of live spec				
	Please provide details if available				
9	Please provide details of any add	itional measure	es taken:		
	C. Complian	ce and enforc	ement measur	es	
				Yes No	No information
1	Have any of the following compli-	ance monitorin	g operations be	en undertak	en?

 \boxtimes

 \boxtimes

 \boxtimes

Review of reports and other information provided by

Inspections of traders, producers, markets

traders and producers:

Border controls
Other (specify)

2	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?			
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of viola attach details. Confiscation of CITES listed species and its proders without legal documentations			
4	Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?			
5	If information available:		Number	
	☐ Significant seizures/confiscations	1	ed is the confis	
	☐ Total seizures/confiscations	repo	ort for 2013 & 2	2014
	If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details.			
6	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?			
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available Annex.	ole, please	attach details	as
8	Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?			\boxtimes
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the re- Annex.	sults? Plea	ase attach deta	ils as
10	How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed of?		Tick if ap	plicable
	 Return to country of export 			
	 Public zoos or botanical gardens 			\leq
	 Designated rescue centres 		_	\leq
	Approved, private facilities			\leq
	– Euthanasia			
	Other (specify) Comments:	·····		
11		o V		\square
11	Has detailed information been provided to the Secretariat or significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an	. N	es	
	ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicte	ed		
	illegal traders and persistent offenders?		ot applicable o information	
	Comments: UAE reported all their confiscations of Ivory to CITES secretariate as per Notification 2014/60. The secretaristic confiscations of red sandalwood per notification 2014/50.			
12	Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities wit other countries	h Ye N	es o	
	(e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigation assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	10	o information	

13	If Yes, please give a brief description:							
	UAE is involved with other countries in forming An inter-sessional working group on the side of the 65th standing committee meeting of CITES on illegal trade in Cheetahs. UAE also participated in a number of international meetings, workshops and seminars on combating illegal trade in wildlife in neighbouring gulf countries or other countries in the region which include the following:							
	 Sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties Bangko 2013. 	k (Thailand), 03-14	March					
	 Workshop on Strengthening Regional Cooperation to Combat 29-31 October 2013- State of Kuwait. UNEP, CITES, Kuwait. 	Wildlife Crime in We	st Asia					
	 First National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Developr Emirates(May 2013) 	ment for the United	d Arab					
	 Second National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development (June 2013) 	oment for the Unite	d Arab					
	- Third National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development for the United Arab Emirates (December 2013)							
	 CITES Training workshops for Dubai customs with International Fund of Animal Welfare (IFAW) from 11 to 13 March 2014 							
	 Workshop for shark and other marine species with International Fund of Animal Welfare (IFAW) from 17 to 19 February 2014 in Dubai 							
	 Sub-regional Seminar of the Arabian Gulf Countries titled "Countering Illicit Trade – A Legal Perspective from 20-23 october 2014 							
	 Conference on the illegal wildlife Trade in London on 13 February 2014 which was organized by UK's government 							
	 Conservation workshop (15th) for the Biodiversity of Arabia organized Environment and Protected Areas Authority (EPPA) and 		Sharjah					
	- 65th meeting of the Standing Committee- Geneva (Switzerland), 07-11 July 2014						
14	Have any incentives been offered to local communities to assist	Yes						
	in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction of offenders?	No						
		No information						
15	If Yes, please describe:							
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related	Yes	\boxtimes					
	enforcement?	No						
		Not applicable						
		No information						

	Comments:
	- During the process of developing Biodiversity National Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP), there was a full review of CITES related issues including enforcement and legislations.
	- CITES enforcement is also reviewed and fully assessed during the process of preparing CMS MoU's reports, where UAE is a party on four CMS related MoU's including raptors, marine turtles, dugong and sharks.
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	Yes	
	information for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the	No	\boxtimes
	CITES Directory?	No information	
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.		
3	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA	Yes	
	been designated?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
4	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as	s the lead MA in the	
	CITES Directory.		
5	How many staff work in each MA? 15		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-	Yes	\boxtimes
	related matters?	No	
	If yes, please give estimation 80%	No information	
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)?	Tick if app	licable
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)? – Administration	Tick if app	licable
7		Tick if app	<u></u>
7	- Administration	Tick if app	<u></u>
7	AdministrationBiology	Tick if app	
7	AdministrationBiologyEconomics/trade	Tick if app	
7	AdministrationBiologyEconomics/tradeLaw/policy	Tick if app	
7	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) 	Tick if app	
	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, 		
	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities 	Yes	
	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, 	Yes No No information	
8	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)? 	Yes No No information	
8	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)? 	Yes No No information	
8	 Administration Biology Economics/trade Law/policy Other (specify) No information Have the MA(s) undertaken or supported any research activities in relation to CITES species or technical issues (e.g. labelling, tagging, species identification) not covered in D2(8) and D2(9)? 	Yes No No information	

D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the SA(s) which are not yet reflected in the	Yes	
	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	Yes	\boxtimes
	Management Authority?	No	
		No information	
4	What is the structure of the SA(s)?	Tick if app	olicable
	Government institution		\boxtimes
	Academic or research institution		\boxtimes
	- Permanent committee		
	Pool of individuals with certain expertise		\boxtimes
	- Other (specify)		
5	How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? About 2 technical species expertise. We also have about three to five sta CITES awareness related issues within the Scientific Authority.		
	CITES awareness related issues within the Scientific Authority.		
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-	Yes	\boxtimes
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters	Yes No	
6	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-		
7	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters	No	
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60%	No No information	
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)?	No No information	olicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? — Botany	No No information	blicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? — Botany — Ecology	No No information	blicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries	No No information	blicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries - Forestry	No No information	Dicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries - Forestry - Welfare	No No information	Dicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries - Forestry - Welfare - Zoology	No No information	blicable
	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries - Forestry - Welfare - Zoology - Other (specify)	No No information	Dicable
7	Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters If yes, please give estimation 60% What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? - Botany - Ecology - Fisheries - Forestry - Welfare - Zoology - Other (specify) - No information	No No information Tick if app	Dicable

9	If Yes, plea	ase give the spec	cies name and p	rovide deta	ails of the kind	d of research	ı involved.		
	Species name	Populations	Distribution	Off take	Legal trade	Illegal trade	Other (specify		
	UAE pet trade in CITES species				V	√			
	[Please co	ntinue on separa	ate sheet. as neo	essarv.1	<u> </u>	No informat	ition 🗵	1	
10	Have any project proposals for scientific research been submitted to the Secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2? No No information								
11	Please pro	ovide details of ar	ny additional me	asures tak	en:				
D3 En	iforcement i	Authorities							
1	authorities	ecretariat been ir s that have been o al enforcement in	designated for th	ne receipt o	of N	es o o informatior	1		
2	If No, pleas	e designate then	n here (with addi	ress, phon	e, fax and em	nail).		<u> </u>	
3	Is there a	specialized unit r	esponsible for C	ITES-relat	ted Ye	es		\boxtimes	
	enforceme	enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs,							
	the police,	olice, public prosecutor's office)?					Under consideration		
					N	o informatior	1		
4	Water (Mo	ase state which is EW) in collabora petent authorities	tion with the Mir						
5	Please pro	ovide details of ar	ny additional me	asures tak	en:				
D4 Co	ommunicatio	on, information	management a	nd exchai	nge				
1	To what ex	ctent is CITES inf	ormation compu	iterized?		Tick	if applicab	ole	
	– Monitor	ring and reporting	g of data on lega	l trade		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
	– Monitor	ring and reporting	g of data on illega	al trade				\boxtimes	
	- Permit	issuance					[
	- Not at a	all					[
	- Other (s	specify)					[

2	2 Do the following authorities have access to the Internet? Tick if applicable						able		
	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	•	ide details who	ere
	Management Authority								
	Scientific Authority								
	Enforcement Authority								
3	Is there an electron CITES species?	nic infor	mation sy	stem pro	viding	informat	No		
5	If Yes, does it prov Legislation (nat Conservation st Other (please s Is it available through Please provide UR http://moew.gov.ae http://www.breedin	ional, recatus (na pecify)? igh the RL: gcentre	egional or ational, re P Internet:	internatio	,	onal)?			able
6	http://www.uae.par Do the authorities			cess to t	he follo	owina pu	blications?	Tick if applicat	ble
		olication			Manag	gement nority	Scientific Authority	Enforceme Authority	ent
	2003 Checklist of	CITES	Species (b	ook)		\boxtimes			
	2003 Checklist of C Annotated Append			nd					
	Identification Manu	ıal				\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
	CITES Handbook							\boxtimes	

7	If not, what problems have been encountered to access this inform	ation?		
8	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authori – Mortality in transport? – Seizures and confiscations?	ty on:	Tick if app	licable
	Discrepancies in number of items in permits and number of item actually traded?	ıs		
	Comments: MA & Enforcement Authority follow one organization the Ministry of Environment and Water, which facilitate the exchar information efficiently.			
9	Is there a government website with information on CITES and its	Yes		\boxtimes
	requirements?	No		
		No in	formation	
	If Yes, please give the URL:			
	http://moew.gov.ae/			
	http://www.ead.ae/			
10	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following activities to bring about better accessibility to and understanding of the Convention's requirements to the wider public?		Tick if appli	cable
	Press releases/conferences			
	Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances			
	Brochures, leaflets			
	- Presentations			
	- Displays			\boxtimes
	Information at border crossing points			\boxtimes
	Telephone hotline			
	- Other (specify)			
	Please attach copies of any items.			

11 Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

In world wildlife day, MoEW issue a press release of the occasion as well as an awareness campaign to raise awareness about the importance of wildlife.

Public awareness campaign targeting passengers at Dubai international airport, as well as awareness campaigns in shopping centers (2013 - 2014). other awareness campains through social media and website is also used as a platform to get the message through to the wider audience.

Smuggling ivory leads to prosecution" campaign at Dubai Airports – May 2013.

UAE Organized Exhibition Falcons and Hunting in (Abu Dhabi) 2012 and 2013. .

An illustrated guide to the sharks of the Arabian Gulf (Sharks of the Arabian Gulf).

The CITES Scientific Authority in UAE, Environmental Agency Abu Dhabi, published a handbook titled "UAE CITES Handbook" which include common CITES & Non-CITES species involved in UAE trade.

Smuggling ivory leads to prosecution" campaign at Dubai Airports – June 2014

CITES Training workshops for Custom authorities and other authority in order to implement the provisions of the law in cooperation with IFAW - 2014.

CITES Training workshops for veterinarians, agricultural engineers and staff at the Ministry of Environment and Water - 2013 & 2014.

D5 Permitting and registration procedures

1	Have any changes in permit format or the designation signatures of officials empowered to sign CITES per been reported previously to the Secretariat?	Yes No Not applicable No information				
	If no, please provide details of any:	110 momadon				
	Changes in permit format:					
	Changes in designation or signatures of relevant					
2	To date, has your country developed written permit any of the following?	s for	Tick if applicable	!		
		No	No information	on		
	Permit issuance/acceptance					
	Registration of traders					
	Registration of producers					

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	Year 1 Import or introduction from the sea Export Re-export Other				Comments			
	How many documents were issued?								
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?					Applications are accepted processing after requirements are	for r MA		
	Year 2 How many documents were issued?	5408	186	2490					
	How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?					Applications are accepted processing afte requirements are	for r MA		
4	Were any CITES documer replaced because of serior	Yes No No information							
5	If Yes, please give the re mistakes is human error.	asons for this.	The main	reason	for such				
6	Please give the reasons for other countries.	r rejection of Cl	TES docu	uments fr	om	Tick if appl	icable		
	Re	ason		Ye	es No	No information	on		
	Technical violations								
	Suspected fraud								
	Insufficient basis for finding	-							
	Insufficient basis for finding	g of legal acquis	ition						
	Other (specify)								
7	Are harvest and/or export quotas as a management tool in the procedure for issuance of permits?				Yes No No information				
	Comments Federal Law N and Development of the harvesiting UAE local spec	e Ènvironment		•					
8		How many times has the Scientific Authority been requested to provide opinions? in case of export of any wild speciemen, MA contacts the Scientific Authority for their openion.							

9	Has the MA 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. a) issuance of CITES documents - AED 300, b) registration of commercial operations that use CITES listed species either for sale or display - AED 5,000 (AED 5,000 for renewal), c) falcon certificate of ownership (falcon passport) - AED 500. (approximate exchange rate is US\$ 1 = AED 3.67).	
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:	
	Comments:	
12	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:	
D6 Ca	pacity building	

1	Have any of the following activities effectiveness of CITES implementa		Tick if applicable	
	Increased budget for activities		Improvement of national networks	
	Hiring of more staff		Purchase of technical equipment monitoring/enforcement	for 🖂
	Development of implementation tools		Computerization	
	Other (specify)			

2	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		Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources?		
	Staff of Management Authority	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		Ш			
	Staff of Scientific Authority						CITES secretariate		
	Staff of enforcement authorities	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes					
	Traders	\boxtimes							
	NGOs						Emirates wildlife society in association with WWF (EWS-WWF) / IFAW		
	Public	\boxtimes							
	Other (specify)								

3	Have the CITES authorities been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity building activities?							
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	Details	
	Staff of Management Authority	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes				
	Staff of Scientific Authority						CITES Management Authority & Scientific Authority	
	Staff of enforcement authorities	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	\boxtimes			-	
	Traders	\boxtimes	\boxtimes					
	NGOs						CITES Management Authority & Scientific Authority	
	Public	\boxtimes						
	Other parties/International meetings	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		\boxtimes			

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Other (specify)		Preventation of Wildlife Trafficking Training Workshop from 17th to 21st November 2014, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia CITES SC65th Meeting in Switzerland. United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme in June 2014 Regional Seminar on illegal trade - a legal standpoint in Bahrain October 2014 Sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties Bangkok (Thailand), 03-14 March 2013. Workshop on Strengthening Regional Cooperation to Combat Wildlife Crime in West Asia 29-31 October 2013- State of Kuwait. UNEP, CITES, Kuwait. First National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development for the United Arab Emirates (May 2013) Second National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development for the United Arab Emirates (June 2013)
		Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development for the United Arab Emirates
		- Third National Workshop on Biodiversity Strategy Development for the United Arab Emirates (December 2013)

4	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on C				ITES?	\boxtimes		
							No	
							No informa	ation 🗌
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet? The CITES Management Authority (MoEW) and Scientific Authority (EAD) meets as and when is necessary to discuss various issues. CITES MA meets occasionally with their partners on implementing CITES which include Customs, Ministry of Interior and NGO's							
3	If No, please inc Management Au SAs, Customs,	uthority 1	to ensure o					other MAs,
		Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	None	No information	Other (specify)
	Meetings							
	Consultations							
4	At the national le		e there be	en any effo	orts to	Tick if applicable Details if available		
	Agencies for de	velopme	ent and tra	de			\boxtimes	
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities							Competen t environme ntal authorities Muncipaliti es, customs & Ministry of Interior
	Local authorities or communities							
	Indigenous peoples							
	Trade or other private sector associations							
	NGOs							EWS- WWF, IFAW
	Other (specify)							

5	To date, have any Memoranda of Understanding or other formal arrangements for institutional cooperation related to CITES been agreed between the Management Authority and the following agencies?	Tick if appli	icable
	Scientific Authority		
	Customs		
	Police		
	Other border authorities (specify)		
	Other government agencies		
	Private sector bodies		
	NGOs		
	Other (specify)		
6	Have Government staff participated in any regional		
	activities related to CITES?	Tick if appli	icable
	Workshops		
	Meetings		
	Other (specify)		
7	Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to accede to the Convention?	Yes	
	to the Convention?	No	
		No information	
8	If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?		
9	Has technical or financial assistance been provided to another	Yes	
	country in relation to CITES?	No	
		No information	
10	If Yes, which country(ies) and what kind of assistance was provide and other marine species with IFAW from 17 to 19 February 2014 in		shark
11	Has any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES	Yes	
	Identification Manual?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
12	If Yes, please give a brief description.		
13	Have measures been taken to achieve co-ordination and reduce	Yes	\boxtimes
	duplication of activities between the national authorities for CITES and other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the	No	
	biodiversity-related Conventions)?	No information	

14	If Yes, please give a brief description. UAE has one MA and one SA and these authorities cooperate in different aspects. There is a standardized software for permits, one national system for registering falcons and issuance of certificate of ownerships (falcon passport) and one system to register commercial operations dealing with CITES related species and products.
	National Biodiversity committee which ensure the cooperation between the different bodies in the country as well as the organization of work.
	MoEW as CITES MA hold regular meetings with stakeholders to ensure the transparent application and enforcement of CITES in UAE.
15	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

D8 Areas for future work

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						
	Improvement of national networks			\boxtimes			
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement						
	Computerization						
	Other (specify)						
2	Were any difficulties encountered in implementing specific	Yes					
	Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the		No				
	Parties?	No infor					
3	If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?						
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen	Yes					
	in your country requiring attention or assistance?		No				
		No information					
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or a	assistanc	e that is re	quired.			
6	Have any measures, procedures or mechanisms been identified	Yes					
	within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?	No		\boxtimes			
	Simplification?	No information					
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.						
8	Please provide details of any additional measures taken:						

E. General feedback

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

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

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