Dear Secretariat staff,

Please find below the response from NZ to Notification 2010/027. Of particular relevance for us and addressed in this message are items: (a) Sharks; and (f) Non-detriment findings.

**Sharks**

New Zealand has minimal trade in the three CITES-listed shark species. Trade information for each of the species is as follows:

*Cetorhinus maximus*: There have been no recorded imports of specimens of *Cetorhinus maximus* since listing on CITES. Between 2004 and 2006, NZ exported 68 fins, all to Singapore. In 2008, NZ exported one consignment of scientific samples to the UK.

*Carcharodon carcharias*: Since 2001, NZ has exported two consignments of scientific samples (to the UK), and three consignments of other specimens (bones/teeth, two personal and one travelling exhibition). There has been legal import of one consignment of two teeth from ZA, and four seizures of various specimens (jaws, soup, teeth).

*Rhincodon typus*: No reported imports or exports of this species.

New Zealand continues to progress implementation of its National Plan of Action for the Conservation and Management of Sharks (http://www.fish.govt.nz/NR/rdonlyres/F0530841-CD61-4C3E-9E50-153A281A4180/0/NPOAsharks.pdf), which was agreed in October 2008. Pursuant to commitments articulated in the NZ-NPOA, protection of various shark species was extended in 2010 through amendments to various pieces of domestic legislation:

- In December 2010, protection to basking sharks from New Zealand flagged vessels in the high seas was effected under Fisheries (Basking Shark - High Seas Protection) Regulations 2010. Reporting requirements under the Fisheries (Reporting) Regulations 2001 were amended under Fisheries (Reporting) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2010.


**Non-detriment findings**

New Zealand's comments on non-detriment findings and the outputs of the International Expert Workshop on Non-detriment Findings were provided to the Secretariat as a response to the questionnaire sent out by the Secretariat in June 2009 (Notification 2009/023).

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Please let me know if you have any questions about this information or if you would like more detail.

With kind regards,
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QUESTIONNAIRE

Please mark or circle the options as required

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<th>Party Name</th>
<th>New Zealand</th>
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<td>Name and contact details of respondent</td>
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1. What are the principal taxa that your country exports:
   a) Trees
   b) Perennials
   c) Succulents and cycads
   d) Geophytes and epiphytes
   e) Mammals
   f) Birds
   g) Reptiles and amphibians
   h) Fish
   i) Aquatic invertebrates
   j) Other
   - orchids
   - captive-bred parrots

2. Do you currently use the IUCN guidelines when making non-detriment findings?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [X] No
   (a) But only at a broad level.

3. Apart from the IUCN guidelines, do you use other information or guidance in making non-detriment findings?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [X] No
   Please specify:
   - expert guidance from Scientific Committee
   - We take a conservative precautionary approach.

4. Do you find that the outcomes of the NDF Workshop (see citations and hyperlinks above) are a useful addition to the available guidance for making non-detriment findings?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [X] No
   Please comment:
   The case studies provide experience in this area that might otherwise be difficult to obtain or have access to.
   Emphatically!
5. The summary report (http://www.cites.org/eng/com/AC/24/E24-09-01.pdf) of the workshop identified a number of common aspects in making non-detriment findings. Do you agree that the summary report has identified these concepts adequately? (Please respond Yes/No for each of the below items a-h and please indicate if there are other significant matters not covered by the list below)

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<th>Item</th>
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<td>a) Geographical scope of the non-detriment finding</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>b) Level of confidence in the non-detriment finding</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>c) Risk analysis</td>
<td>Birds: YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>d) Regulation of the harvest</td>
<td>A1: YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>e) Monitoring and adaptive management</td>
<td>Reps: YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>f) Identification of the specimen</td>
<td>YES</td>
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<td>g) Origin of the specimen</td>
<td>Birds: YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
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<td>h) Capacity building and information sharing</td>
<td>YES</td>
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Please offer additional comments as necessary:

- Identification is sporadic/inconsistent

6. Taking into account that the problems with making non-detriment findings may vary from taxon to taxon, which of the following challenges do you find overall to be the most problematic in making non-detriment findings? ("1" means "least problematic" and "4" means "most problematic")

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<td>Determining that there is sufficient information available to support the non-detriment findings</td>
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<td>Assessing the level of risk associated with the non-detriment finding</td>
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<td>Assessing whether or not the level of regulation of harvest practices is sufficient or, if not, what additional regulation is required</td>
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<td>Evaluation of the effects of harvest and subsequent adaptation of the non-detriment finding</td>
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Please elaborate:

- Responses refer to species that we currently export.
7. Which of the following components of the non-detriment finding workshop outcomes did you find most useful

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<td>Taxonomic Working Group reports (<a href="http://www.cites.org/eng/com/PC/18/E-PC18-14-02.pdf">http://www.cites.org/eng/com/PC/18/E-PC18-14-02.pdf</a> and <a href="http://www.cites.org/eng/com/AC/24/E24-09-01.pdf">http://www.cites.org/eng/com/AC/24/E24-09-01.pdf</a>); and</td>
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<td>Case studies (see: (<a href="http://www.conabio.gob.mx/institucion/cooperacion">http://www.conabio.gob.mx/institucion/cooperacion</a> internacional/TallerNDF/taller_NDF.html)</td>
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Please offer comments

8. What additional guidance beyond the non-detriment finding workshop outcomes (refs) and other previously existing material, such as the IUCN guidelines, could be provided that you would consider useful for making non-detriment findings?

9. Do you have additional information to that provided in the workshop reports (such as case studies, national or regional guidelines, experience) that would assist other scientific authorities in making non-detriment findings?