



## NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Survey on the experiences of Parties in implementing the Convention  
during the COVID-19 pandemic

1. As indicated in document SC73 Doc. 15 on *Implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on the implementation of the Convention*, the Secretariat has prepared an online survey on the experiences of Parties to help ascertain the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the implementation of the Convention and improve the support that the Secretariat can provide to Parties.
2. The Secretariat is inviting Parties to complete the survey available at:  
  
<https://cites-covid19.questionpro.com/>
3. The survey will take about 20 minutes to complete. There is no need for a coordinated response by each Party. The survey explores the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the work of the personnel in Management Authorities, Scientific Authorities and enforcement focal points.
4. Survey results can only be used in a credible manner when enough respondents reply, so we ask that you please take time out of your busy day to ensure that your voice gets heard. Kindly respond no later than **18 April 2021**.
5. All responses to this survey are completely confidential. No respondent will ever be identified individually. The results of this survey will be used in aggregated form only – for example, “75% of respondents from Parties’ authorities responded that...”. The Secretariat will report on the results of the survey to the Standing Committee and the Conference of the Parties and will use it to improve its support to CITES Parties.
6. If you have any questions, please contact Helene Gandois at [helene.gandois@cites.org](mailto:helene.gandois@cites.org).