



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



# REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

## BIENNIAL REPORT

2007 – 2008

**Chisinau, 2009**

### A. General information

Party	Republic of Moldova
Period covered in this report: 1 January (first year) to 31 December (second year)	1 January 2007 - 31 December 2008
Details of agency preparing this report	CITES Management Authority  Ministry of Environment Natural Resources and Biodiversity Division
Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals	Institute of Zoology (SA) Botanical Garden (Institute) (SA) Customs Agency

### B. Legislative and regulatory measures

1	<p>Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been provided under the CITES National Legislation Project? If yes, ignore questions 2, 3 and 4.</p> <p>The set of legislative acts refers to the implementation of CITES Convention is elaborated in generally by the Republic Moldova. See enclosed as Annex 1 to the questionnaire.</p> <p>In the reporting period was adopted by the Parliament:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Law of accepted the Gaborone Amendment to the CITES Convention</b> (Nr. 201 – XVI from 03.10.08).</li> <li>- <b>Law on Vegetal Kingdom</b> (No. 239 – XVI, date 08.11.2007);</li> <li>- <b>Contravention Code of the Republic of Moldova</b> (No. 218 – XVI, date 24.10.2008)</li> </ul> <p>The Code stipulate the contraventions of rules for the protection and use of animal kingdom and rules for import/export and re-export and transit the flora and fauna species, according the CITES decisions.</p>	<p>Yes (Fully) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>																																			
2	<p>If you country has planned, drafted or enacted any CITES-relevant legislation, please provide the following details:</p> <p>Title:</p> <p>Brief content description:</p>																																				
3	<p>Is enacted legislation available in one of the working languages of the Convention?</p> <p>If yes, please attach a copy of the full legislative text or key legislative provisions that were gazetted.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>																																			
4	<p>Which of the following issues are addressed by any stricter domestic measures that your country has adopted for CITES-listed species (in accordance with Article XIV of the Convention)?</p> <p>The conditions for:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Issue</th> <th>Yes</th> <th>No</th> <th>No information</th> <th colspan="3">The complete prohibition of:</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>Yes</th> <th>No</th> <th>No information</th> <th>Yes</th> <th>No</th> <th>No information</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Trade</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Taking</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Possession</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Tick all applicable</p>	Issue	Yes	No	No information	The complete prohibition of:				Yes	No	No information	Yes	No	No information	Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Taking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Possession	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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	Transport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify) The Republic Moldova is conducted by the Red Book. According to the national legislation the measures refer to gain/collection or export of such species are more restricted, by the other words – such activities are forbidden.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?	Tick all applicable					
	Item	Adequate	Partially Inadequate	Inadequate	No information		
	Powers of CITES authorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Clarity of legal obligations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Control over CITES trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Coverage of law for all types of offences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Coverage of law for all types of penalties	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Implementing regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Coherence within legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Other (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6	If no review or assessment has taken place, is one planned for the next reporting period?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
		No <input type="checkbox"/>					
		No information <input type="checkbox"/>					
	Please provide details if available:						
7	Has there been any review of legislation on the following subjects in relation to implementation of the Convention?	Tick all applicable					
	Subject	Yes	No	No information			
	Access to or ownership of natural resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Harvesting:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Transporting of live specimens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Handling and housing of live specimens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

### C. Compliance and enforcement measures

		Yes	No	No information
1	Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been undertaken?			
	Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers: (Partially)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Inspections of traders, producers, markets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Border controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2	Have any administrative measures (e.g., fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex.			
4	Have any seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	If Yes, how many? If possible please specify per group of specimens. If available, please attach details as Annex. <i>In 2008 –2 seizures (7 live animals)</i>			
6	Have there been any prosecutions of CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex.			
8	Have there been any court actions of CITES-related violations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please attach details as Annex.			
10	How were the confiscated specimens generally disposed of?	Tick if applicable		
	– Return to country of export	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	– Public zoos or botanical gardens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	– Designated rescue centres	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	– Approved, private facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	– Euthanasia	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	– Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Comments: <i>Live CITES specimens are mainly directed to public zoological or botanical gardens</i>			
11	Has your country provided to the Secretariat detailed information on significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		Not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Comments:			
12	Has your country been involved in cooperative enforcement activities with other countries (e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13	If Yes, please give a brief description: <i>The European Commission, TAIEX, organized in co-operation with CITES Management Authority from Republic of Moldova training: “Seminar on Cites Convention Implementation”, on 10/10/2007 - 11/10/2007 in Chisinau, Moldova.</i>  <i>This seminar presented the practical aspects of the implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES Convention) in the EU Member States on the following matters:</i>  <i>- Implementation of CITES at national level</i> <i>- CITES Customs and Enforcement</i>			

<u>- Overview of the functioning and role of the CITES Scientific Authorities</u>									
14	Has your country offered any incentives to local communities to assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction of offenders? <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Yes</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No information</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								
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15	If Yes, please describe:								
16	Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement? <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Yes</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>Not applicable</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No information</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table> <p>Comments: Assessment and compilation of CITES seizures is prepared by the Customs Service and Police.</p>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								
No	<input type="checkbox"/>								
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#### 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? <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Yes</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No information</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>						
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No information	<input type="checkbox"/>												
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.												
3	How many staff work in each MA? <span style="float: right;">1 person</span>												
4	What percentage of time do they spent on CITES matters? (please estimate) <span style="float: right;">30%</span>												
5	If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated? <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Yes</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No information</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>						
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6	If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead MA in the CITES Directory. <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Moldova Natural Resources and Biodiversity Division 9, Cosmonautilor Str., MD 2005, Chisinau lead MA in the CITES Directory -Mrs. Ala Rotaru</p>												
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)? <span style="float: right;">Tick if applicable</span> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– Administration</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– Biology</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– Economics/trade</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– Law/policy</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– Other (specify: forest, dendrology)</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">– No information</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	– Administration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	– Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>	– Economics/trade	<input type="checkbox"/>	– Law/policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	– Other (specify: forest, dendrology)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	– No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
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##### D2 Scientific Authority (SA)

1	Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the SA(s) in your country which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory? <table style="float: right; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Yes</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr> <tr><td>No information</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr> </table>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
No information	<input type="checkbox"/>						
2	If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.						
3	Has your country designated a Scientific Authority independent from <span style="float: right;">Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span>						

	the Management Authority?	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	What is the structure of the SA(s) in your country?	Tick if applicable	
	– Government institution		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Academic or research institution		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Permanent committee		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Pool of individuals with certain expertise		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
5	How many staff work in each SA?	3 persons	
6	What percentage of time do they spent on CITES matters? (please estimate)	25%	
7	What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)?	Tick if applicable	
	– Botany		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Ecology		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Fisheries		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Forestry		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Welfare		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– Zoology		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	– Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
	– No information		<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Have any research activities been undertaken by the SA(s) in relation to CITES species?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	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
			<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Have any project proposals for scientific research been submitted to the Secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>

**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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	If No, please designate them here.		
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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Under consideration <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement: - State Ecological Inspectorate - Customs Services - Ministry of Interior - Fitosanitary Services - Veterinary Services		

**D4 Communication, information management and exchange**

1	To what extent is CITES information in your country computerized? Tick if applicable						
	- Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
	- Monitoring and reporting of data on illegal trade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
	- Permit issuance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
	- Not at all <input type="checkbox"/>						
	- Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>						
2	Do the following authorities have access to the Internet? 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Scientific Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Enforcement Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3	Do you have an electronic information system providing information on CITES species? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
	No <input type="checkbox"/>						
	No information <input type="checkbox"/>						

4	If Yes, does it provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Legislation (national, regional or international)?</li> <li>- Conservation status (national, regional, international)?</li> <li>- Other (please specify)?</li> </ul>	Tick if applicable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																				
5	Is it available through the Internet:  Please provide URL:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>																				
6	Do the following authorities have access to the following publications?	Tick if applicable																				
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7	Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authority on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mortality in transport?</li> <li>- Seizures and confiscations?</li> <li>- Discrepancy in number of items in permit and number of items actually traded?</li> </ul> Comments: <p style="color: red;">Concerning to legal frame of Republic of Moldova the enforcement authorities must report to the Management Authority on any illegal procedures and to stop or confiscate the illegal produces.</p> <p style="color: red;">Unfortunately, the enforcement authorities to work insufficiently in this cases.</p>	Tick if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																				
8	Is there a government website with information on CITES and its requirements?  If Yes, please give the URL: <a href="http://mediu.gov.md">http://mediu.gov.md</a>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>																				
9	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? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Press releases/conferences</li> <li>- Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances</li> <li>- Brochures</li> <li>- Presentations</li> <li>- Displays</li> <li>- Information at border crossing points</li> <li>- Telephone hotline</li> <li>- Other (specify) <span style="color: red;">According to agreement between the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources and Customs Service are organised lessons for customs officers.</span></li> </ul>	Tick if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																				



**D5 Permitting and registration procedures**

1	Have any changes in permit format or the designation and signatures of officials empowered to sign CITES permits/certificates been reported previously to the Secretariat?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		Not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>				
If no, please provide details of any:						
Changes in permit format:						
Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials:						
2	To date, has your country developed written permit procedures for any of the following?	Tick if applicable				
		Yes	No	No information		
	Permit issuance/acceptance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Registration of traders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Registration of producers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3	Please indicate how many CITES documents were issued or denied.					
		Import	Export	Re-export	Other	Details
	How many documents were issued?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	How many applications were denied?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	Were any CITES documents that were issued later cancelled and replaced?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5	If Yes, please give the reasons for this.					
6	Please give the reasons for rejection of CITES documents from other countries.	Tick if applicable				
	Reason	Yes	No	No information		
	Technical violations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Suspected fraud	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Insufficient basis for finding of non-detriment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Insufficient basis for finding of legal acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7	Are harvest and/or export quotas as a management tool in the procedure for issuance of permits?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Comments					
8	Has the MA charged fees for permit issuance, registration or related CITES activities?	Tick if applicable				
	– Issuance of CITES documents:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	– Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species:	<input type="checkbox"/>				
	– Harvesting of CITES-listed species :					
	– Use of CITES-listed species:					
	– Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species:					
	– Importing of CITES-listed species:					
	– Other (specify):					
9	If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees.					
	<a href="#">According to the Law about import/export of non-CITES wild flora and fauna</a>					

	<p>species – the special payable Environment Permits for Import and for Export are distributed.</p> <p>The fee for the distribution of such documents (in total 28 926 lei). The obtained amount is used for the financing provisions of above-mentioned activities.</p>	<p>2 200 lei (Permit) + 28 926 lei <b>Total: 31 126 lei (2 500\$)</b></p>
10	<p>Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation ?</p> <p>– Entirely: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– Partly: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– Not at all: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– Not relevant: <input type="checkbox"/></p>	Tick if applicable

### D6 Capacity building

1	<p>Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?</p> <p>Increased budget for activities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Hiring of more staff <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Development of implementation tools <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Improvement of national networks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Purchase of technical equipment for monitoring/enforcement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Computerisation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	Tick if applicable																																																								
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3	Have the CITES authorities in your country been the <i>providers</i> of any of the following capacity building activities?						Details
	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)	
	Staff of Management Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Other parties/International meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

#### D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

1	Is there an inter-agency or inter-sectoral committee on CITES?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet? <b>The Working Group is founded in the frame of MECDT (Management Authority) for the implementation of CITES conditions. The Working group consists of representatives from SA, Custom, Police, Ecological Inspectorate, Veterinary, Phyto-sanitary Inspection and others. The meetings are held in case of necessity but not rare then once per 3 months. At the same time, the private meetings with some representatives of the working group are held monthly or in case of necessity.</b>		
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	Other	None
	Meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Consultations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:		Tick if applicable
	Agencies for development and trade		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Local authorities or communities		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Indigenous peoples		<input type="checkbox"/>

	Trade or other private sector associations		<input type="checkbox"/>
	NGOs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
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 applicable
	SA		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Customs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Police		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other border authorities (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other government agencies		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Private sector bodies		<input type="checkbox"/>
	NGOs		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Has your country participated in any regional activities related to CITES?		Tick if applicable
	Workshops		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Meetings		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Has your country encouraged any non-Party to accede to the Convention?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14	If Yes, please give a brief description.		

**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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hiring of more staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Development of implementation tools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Improvement of national networks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Purchase of new technical equipment for monitoring and enforcement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Computerisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Has your country encountered any difficulties in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	<p>If Yes, which one(s) and what is the main difficulty?</p> <p>A majority part of Resolutions and Decisions are studied and carried out on the possible level by the MA. However, the other representatives, like Custom, SAs, are not fulfilled the implementation of documents as it supposed to be. This happened because of the light experience in the domain of implementation of Convention, absence of special trainings, no equipment provision, lack of financing for Convention based materials translation, for manual-determinant in Moldovan language, for printing of illustrative materials, placates, bulletins and other activities. There are no conditions both for setting of Center's for saving of animals and plants, and creation of admissible conditions for keeping of animals and plants forfeited in the frame of Botany and Zoological Garden.</p>			
4	Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	If Yes, please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is required.			
6	Has your country identified any measures, procedures or mechanisms within the Convention that would benefit from review and/or simplification?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	If Yes, please give a brief description.			

**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		
B3	Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation <i>The extracts from the legislative acts will be translate into English and send to the Secretariat by 30 September 2006, according to CITES Decision nr. 13.81.</i>	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>
C3	Details of violations and administrative measures imposed	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>
C5	Detailss of specimens seized, confiscated or forfeited	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>
C7	Details of violations and results of prosecutions	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Not available	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Not relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>

The **Republic of Moldova** provided detailed information on its progress in CITES national legislation which is now being translated into English to be officially presented in time to the CITES Secretariat.

The Moldavian Parliament elaborated and approved (1) the Law on Red Book of the Republic of Moldova No 325-XIV from 15 December 2005, (2) the Law for the Completion and Modification of the Law on Animal Kingdom No 439-XIII from 27 April 1995 (No 461 from 20.11.2003) (Official Monitor of the Republic of Moldova, No 1-5 from 01.01.2004), and (3) the Law on Fish Found and Conservation of the Aquatic Biological Resources (No 149 from 8 June 2006). These pieces of legislation provide that *“The import/export, re-export and transit of wild fauna animals, stipulated by the CITES Convention, are permitted only through the CITES permit/certificate, authorised by the CITES MA with the resolution of the CITES SA of the Republic Moldova”*.

The Moldavian Regulations for the Foundation, Register, Completion, Keeping, Export and Import of Wild Flora and Fauna Collection of Plants and Animals (Governmental Order No 1107 from 11 September 2003) provide that (Article 6) *“For the reason of the forming and completion of the plants and animals collection, that are protected according to the international requirements, the special acts are prepared (Environment permit for export/import of wild plants and/or animals, Permit/Certificate CITES) taking into account the national and international legislative procedures”*, and (Article 20) *“In case of animal or plant collection, that are protected through the rules of the CITES Convention for import and export (re-export) of parts and exhibits, a CITES permit/certificate is obliged to obtain.”*

Furthermore, the MA of the Republic of Moldova together with Central Customs Service emitted a common order No 19/90-01 from 14 Mach 2006, which established, through a mutual agreement, the border crossing points for the export, import and transition activities regulated by the CITES procedure and in accordance with the provisions of the international legal acts set up at the level of the EU, also considering the proposals of other stakeholders. On the basis of that *“For the customs offices at the border that are to be established, the local branches of the central authority in charge of managing natural resources and protecting the environment in cooperation with customs officers and with direct participation of the specialists from the territorial ecological agencies shall provide effective relevant control. The customs officers shall fill in the relevant blank spaces in the environment permit on export. The central authority in charge of managing natural resources and protecting the environment together with customs officers and other relevant bodies shall provide informative ads and billboards at all border crossing points.”*

The Moldavian Authorities elaborated also drafts of (1) a Law for Completion and Modification of the Code on Administrative Contravention, which will provide special regulations on protection and

conservation of wild animal and plant species, and also provide administrative responsibilities on animal and plant import/export activities, and (2) a Law on Vegetal Kingdom (it is elaborated by ministers and departments - to be sent to the Government).

The Nature Protection Board of **Latvia** (CITES MA) organized several training seminars on CITES. The objective of the training was to give all authorities more deep knowledge about CITES, including how to control shipments and permits, main groups of species on CITES and EU Regulations. In total, 94 customs officers, 56 environmental inspectors have been trained and supplied with education material.

The MA of the **Republic of Moldova** participated at 4 training seminars for customs specialists, which were organized in the Customs Training Centre in Moldova. More than 120 specialists participated at the trainings.

The European Commission, TAIEX, organized in co-operation with Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources from Republic of Moldova training: “**Seminar on Cites Convention Implementation**”, on 10/10/2007 - 11/10/2007 in Chisinau, Moldova.

This seminar presented the practical aspects of the implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES Convention) in the EU Member States on the following matters:

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- Implementation of CITES at national level

- CITES Customs and Enforcement
  - Overview of the functioning and role of the CITES Scientific Authorities
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### Combating Illegal Activities/Enforcement

The most important case of confiscation in Moldova happened in February, 6, 2008, when one person was stopped by Police with 6 live animals: *Varanus salvator* (1 year), *Iguana iguana salvator* (1 year), *Python regius salvator* (3-4 years), *Chamaeleo calyptratus salvator* (1 year), *Caiman crocodilus* (2 year), *Lampropeltis triangulum sinaloae salvator* (3 years). Animals was illegal imported from Odessa (Ukraine). This case is still under investigation. The animals stay in the Chisinau ZOO.

**Moldova** published in 2006 – 2007 years: brochure of CITES legislation; 2 placards of CITES thematic “This species are protected by CITES”; booklet: “Save endangered animal and plant species” and a leaflet informing travelers, which was widely distributed e.g. by Customs, travel agencies, traders, and state.

### CITES Relevant Research, Scientific & Technical Information and Publications

1. The Republic of Moldova , in the research cooperation with Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania , Serbia, Turkey and Ukraine participated in the developing of the project “Saker Falcon in Southeast Europe – Researchers and Conservation” . The aim of this network is to coordinate efforts for Saker Falcon (*Falco cherrug*) study and protection in the Southeast European region.

2. In the Republic of Moldova (Tiraspol) was create the sturgeon complex “Aquatir” LTD. It represent unique production complex on growing sturgeon fishes in recirculated system. Our main goal is getting, processing and realization of caviar and sturgeon fishes. This complex is calculated on producing 5 tons caviar per year and 80-100 tons of market fish and approximately 500 thousand of fry reproduction. In future we plan to stock sturgeon in river Dnestr.