### A. General information

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<td><strong>Period covered in this report:</strong> 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004</td>
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| **Details of agency preparing this report** | National Nature Protection Service Directorate  
Ministry of Environment and Water  
22, Maria Luisa Blvd.  
tel. (+359 2 940 6160) |
| **Contributing agencies, organizations or individuals** |   |

### B. Legislative and regulatory measures

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| **1** Has information on CITES-relevant legislation already been provided under the CITES National Legislation Project?  
If yes, ignore questions 2, 3 and 4. | Yes (fully)  
Yes (partly)  
No  
No information/unknown |
| **2** If any CITES-relevant legislation has been planned, drafted or enacted, please provide the following details: |   |
| **Title and date:** |   |
| **Status:** |   |
| **Brief description of contents:** |   |
| **3** Is enacted legislation available in one of the working languages of the Convention? | Yes  
No  
No information |
| **4** If yes, please attach a copy of the full legislative text or key legislative provisions that were gazetted. | legislation attached  
provided previously  
not available, will send later |
| **5** Which of the following issues are addressed by any stricter domestic measures adopted for CITES-listed species (in accordance with Article XIV of the Convention)? |   |
| **Issue** |   |
| **The conditions for:** | Yes | No | No information |
| **The complete prohibition of:** | Yes | No | No information |
| Trade | ☒ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Taking | ☒ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Possession | ☒ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Transport | ☒ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Other (specify) | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Additional comments** |   |
What were the results of any review or assessment of the effectiveness of CITES legislation, with regard to the following items?

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<th>Partially Inadequate</th>
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<td>Powers of CITES authorities</td>
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<td>Clarity of legal obligations</td>
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<td>Control over CITES trade</td>
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<td>Consistency with existing policy on wildlife management and use</td>
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<td>Coverage of law for all types of penalties</td>
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<td>Implementing regulations</td>
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<td>Coherence within legislation</td>
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<td>Other (please specify):</td>
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Please provide details if available: Assessment and recommendations made by the Twinning project BG2000/IB/EN/01-B named "Institutional strengthening for the implementation in Bulgaria of regulation EC/338/97 and EC/939/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein" carried out by the Ministry of Environment and Waters.

If no review or assessment has taken place, is one planned for the next reporting period?

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Please provide details if available:

Has there been any review of legislation on the following subjects in relation to implementation of the Convention?

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<td>Access to or ownership of natural resources</td>
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<td>Harvesting</td>
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<td>Transporting of live specimens</td>
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<td>Handling and housing of live specimens</td>
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Please provide details if available: In October 2003 a Regulation for minimum requirements of keeping animals in zoo was promulgated in the State Gazette. The regulation will serve as base for evaluation of existant facilities in the zoos and their licensing. The regulatin is a base also for the decisions making about housing of Appendix I animals and issuance of import permits.

Please provide details of any additional measures taken:
C. Compliance and enforcement measures

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<td>Have any of the following compliance monitoring operations been undertaken?</td>
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<td>Review of reports and other information provided by traders and producers:</td>
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<td>Inspections of traders, producers, markets</td>
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<td>Border controls</td>
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<td>Other (specify)</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related violations?</td>
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<td>If Yes, please indicate how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Have any significant seizures, confiscations and forfeitures of CITES specimens been made?</td>
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<td>If information available:</td>
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<td>☐ Significant seizures/confiscations</td>
<td>2 attempts for illegal export of reptiles (2 tortoises and 3 pythons).</td>
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<td>☒ Total seizures/confiscations</td>
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<td>If possible, please specify per group of species or attach details.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Have there been any criminal prosecutions of significant CITES-related violations?</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>If Yes, how many and for what types of violations? If available, please attach details as Annex.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Have there been any other court actions of CITES-related violations?</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>If Yes, what were the violations involved and what were the results? Please attach details as Annex.</td>
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<td>How were the confiscated specimens usually disposed of?</td>
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<td>– Return to country of export</td>
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<td>– Public zoos or botanical gardens</td>
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<td>– Designated rescue centres</td>
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Comments: 5 Rescue centers have been designated by order of Minister of Environment and Water No RD-242/14.03.2003 - 3 for animal specimens and 2 for plant species.
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<td>Has detailed information been provided to the Secretariat on significant cases of illegal trade (e.g. through an ECOMESSAGE or other means), or information on convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders?</td>
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<td>Have there been any cooperative enforcement activities with other countries (e.g. exchange of intelligence, technical support, investigative assistance, joint operation, etc.)?</td>
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<td>Have any incentives been offered to local communities to assist in the enforcement of CITES legislation, e.g. leading to the arrest and conviction of offenders?</td>
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<td>If Yes, please describe:</td>
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<td>Has there been any review or assessment of CITES-related enforcement?</td>
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### D. Administrative measures

#### D1 Management Authority (MA)

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<td>Have there been any changes in the designation of or contact information for the MA(s) which are not yet reflected in the CITES Directory?</td>
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<td>If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.</td>
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<td>If there is more than one MA in your country, has a lead MA been designated?</td>
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<td>If Yes, please name that MA and indicate whether it is identified as the lead MA in the CITES Directory.</td>
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5 How many staff work in each MA? 4

6 Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters?
   If yes, please give estimation
   Yes ☐
   No ☒
   No information ☐

7 What are the skills/expertise of staff within the MA(s)? Tick if applicable
   – Administration ☒
   – Biology ☒
   – Economics/trade ☐
   – Law/policy ☒
   – Other (specify) ☒
   – No information ☐

8 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 ☐

9 If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved. The project named "Action Plan for conservation of sturgeon species in Danube River and Black Sea" were funded by the Ministry of Environment and Water for the period 2001 - 2002 and was completed in 2004 with approval of the Action Plan.

10 Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

**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 CITES Directory?
   Yes ☐
   No ☒
   No information ☐

2 If Yes, please use the opportunity to provide those changes here.

3 Is the designated Scientific Authority independent from the Management Authority?
   Yes ☒
   No ☐
   No information ☐

4 What is the structure of the SA(s)? Tick if applicable
   – Government institution ☐
   – Academic or research institution ☒
   – Permanent committee ☒
   – Pool of individuals with certain expertise ☐
   – Other (specify) ☐

5 How many staff work in each SA on CITES issues? 14
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<td>Can you estimate the percentage of time they spend on CITES-related matters? If yes, please give estimation</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>What are the skills/expertise of staff within the SA(s)? Tick if applicable</td>
<td>- Botany</td>
<td>- Ecology</td>
<td>- Fisheries</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Have any research activities been undertaken by the SA(s) in relation to CITES species?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No information</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>If Yes, please give the species name and provide details of the kind of research involved.</td>
<td>Species name</td>
<td>Populations</td>
<td>Distribution</td>
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<td>Have any project proposals for scientific research been submitted to the Secretariat under Resolution Conf. 12.2?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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**D3 Enforcement Authorities**

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<th>Has the Secretariat been informed of any enforcement authorities that have been designated for the receipt of confidential enforcement information related to CITES?</th>
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If No, please designate them here (with address, phone, fax and email). National Nature Protection Service Directorate, Ministry of Environment and Water, 22 Maria Luisa Blvd, Sofia 1000, tel. (+ 359 2 940 6151), fax. (+ 359 2 980 9641), nnpsf@moew.government.bg

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<th>Is there a specialized unit responsible for CITES-related enforcement (e.g. within the wildlife department, Customs, the police, public prosecutor’s office)?</th>
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If Yes, please state which is the lead agency for enforcement: Ministry of Environment and Water,

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**D4 Communication, information management and exchange**

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<td>Monitoring and reporting of data on legal trade</td>
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<td>Monitoring and reporting of data on illegal trade</td>
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<td>Scientific Authority</td>
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<td>Question</td>
<td>Answer</td>
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<td>3 Is there an electronic information system providing information on CITES species?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>4 If Yes, does it provide information on:</td>
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<td>- Legislation (national, regional or international)?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>- Conservation status (national, regional, international)?</td>
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<td>- Other (please specify)?</td>
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<td>5 Is it available through the Internet:</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Please provide URL: <a href="http://www.moew.government.bg/">http://www.moew.government.bg/</a></td>
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<td>6 Do the authorities indicated have access to the following publications?</td>
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<td>Publication</td>
<td>Authority</td>
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<td>2003 Checklist of CITES Species (book)</td>
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<td>2003 Checklist of CITES Species and Annotated Appendices (CD-ROM)</td>
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<td>Identification Manual</td>
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<td>CITES Handbook</td>
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<td>7 If not, what problems have been encountered to access this information?</td>
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<td>8 Have enforcement authorities reported to the Management Authority on:</td>
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<td>- Mortality in transport?</td>
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<td>- Seizures and confiscations?</td>
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<td>- Discrepancies in number of items in permits and number of items actually traded?</td>
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<td>Comments:</td>
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<td>9 Is there a government website with information on CITES and its requirements?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>If Yes, please give the URL:</td>
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### 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?

- Press releases/conferences
- Newspaper articles, radio/television appearances
- Brochures, leaflets
- Presentations
- Displays
- Information at border crossing points
- Telephone hotline
- Other (specify)

Please attach copies of any items.

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Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

### D5 Permitting and registration procedures

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<th>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?</th>
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<td>Yes</td>
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If no, please provide details of any:

- Changes in permit format:
- Changes in designation or signatures of relevant officials:

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<th>To date, has your country developed written permit procedures for any of the following?</th>
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<td>Permit issuance/acceptance</td>
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<td>Registration of traders</td>
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<td>Registration of producers</td>
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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).

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<td>No sertificates for introduction from the sea were issued.</td>
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<td>How many applications were denied because of serious omissions or misinformation?</td>
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4 Were any CITES documents that were issued later cancelled and replaced because of serious omissions or misinformation? Yes ☐ No ☒ No information ☐

5 If Yes, please give the reasons for this.

6 Please give the reasons for rejection of CITES documents from other countries.

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7 Are harvest and/or export quotas as a management tool in the procedure for issuance of permits? Yes ☒ No ☐ No information ☐

Comments The Order RD09-138/19.03.2003, RD-266/19.03.2003 of the Minister of agriculture and forestry and the Minister of Environment and Water has specified the regimes and requirements for protection and sustainable use of sturgeon species. The order has included a procedure for the sharing of annual quotas for sturgeon products between exporters.

8 How many times has the Scientific Authority been requested to provide opinions? Regularly
Has the MA charged fees for permit issuance, registration or related CITES activities?

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If Yes, please provide the amounts of such fees.

1. Issuance of CITES import or export permits or re-export certificate for native species for Bulgaria - 23 BG leva (Appr. 12 Euro) for each species.
2. Issuance of CITES import permits for non native species for Bulgaria - 40 BG leva (Appr. 21 Euro) for each species.
3. Issuance of CITES import or export permits or re-export certificate the zoos, botanical gardens, circuses, delphinariums, expositions of plants and animals and for specimens museums and scientific institutions - 23 BG leva (Appr. 12 Euro) for the whol permit.

Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation?

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Comments: The revenue comes into the Enterprise for Management of Environmental Protection Activities (EMEPA) in the Ministry of Environment and Water. EMEPA finances the activities of the designated CITES Rescue centers.

Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

D6 Capacity building

Have any of the following activities been undertaken to enhance effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level?

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The Rescue centers were equipped with new cars for transportation of animal and office equipments under the PHARE Twinning project BG2000/IB/EN/01-B named "Institutional strengthening for the implementation in Bulgaria of regulation EC/338/97 and EC/939/97 on the protection of specie of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein" carried out by the Ministry of Environment and Waters.

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Have the CITES authorities been the *providers* of any of the following capacity building activities?

Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.

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### Question 4

Please provide details of any additional measures taken:

### D7 Collaboration/co-operative initiatives

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<td>2  If Yes, which agencies are represented and how often does it meet?</td>
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If No, please indicated the frequency of meetings or consultancies used by the Management Authority to ensure co-ordination among CITES authorities (e.g. other MAs, SAs, Customs, police, others):

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The frequency of consultations is very much depended from the subject.

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At the national level have there been any efforts to collaborate with:

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<td>Other (specify) Executive Agency of Fishery and Aquaculture</td>
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### 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?

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<td>Other (specify) The relations between the CITES Implementation bodies are clearly determined by the Biodiversity Act (2002).</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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6. Have Government staff participated in any regional activities related to CITES? Tick if applicable
   - Workshops
   - Meetings
   - Other (specify)

7. Has there been any effort to encourage any non-Party to accede to the Convention?
   - Yes
   - No
   - No information

8. If Yes, which one(s) and in what way?

9. Has technical or financial assistance been provided 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 any data been provided for inclusion in the CITES Identification Manual?
   - Yes
   - No
   - No information

12. If Yes, please give a brief description.

13. Have measures been taken 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

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E. General feedback

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