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BIENNAL REPORT
2015 -2016

SERBIA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

The Republic of Serbia is the contracting party to the Bern Convention since May 2008.

Competent Authorities to Grant Exceptions:

In accordance with the Articles 75 and 78 of the Law on Nature Protection (Official Gazette of RS, no. 36/09, 88/10, 91/10 and 14/16), when there is no other satisfactory solution and the exemption is not damaging the survival of populations of strictly protected wild species at a favourable conservation status in their natural habitat, i.e. when there is no other satisfactory solution for wild bird species, the Ministry of Environmental Protection may allow activities that aim at:

1) research and education, recolonization, (repopulation), reintroduction and breeding operations in *in-situ* and *ex-situ* conditions;

2) prevention of serious damage to crops, livestock, forests, fishponds and water and other forms of property;

3) protection of public health and public safety and in case of birds the air safety as well, or for other reasons of predominant public interest, including reasons of social and economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment;

4) protection of wild plant and animal species and conservation of wild habitats;

5) allowing, under strictly controlled conditions and under limited scope, taking or keeping of certain specimens in limited quantity.

A permit for the situation referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be issued by the Ministry upon previously obtained opinion of the Institute for Nature Conservation of Serbia and the Institute for Nature Conservation of Vojvodina Province.

The application for permit contains name of the species, reasons, purpose and aim of the use, i.e. performance of activities, elaborate/study on manner, place, time, useful or harmful consequences and other proofs and relevant facts of importance for the specific case.

In accordance with Article 78 of the Law on Nature Protection, the Ministry of the Environmentaп Protection permits scientific-research and educational purposes, by way of a decision and with previously obtained opinion of the Institute for Nature Conservation of Serbia and the Institute for Nature Conservation of Vojvodina Province.

Data for the report were provided by Department for biodiversity and Department for Ecological Network and Appropriate Assessment within the Ministry of Environmental Protection.

Also, cases of poisoning of birds are presented in this report, which was submitted to the Secretariat of the Berne Convention in respect of the complaint report to the Secretariat of the Bern Convention in regard of Complaint reports No 2014-3 and 2016-3.

1. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING STRICTLY PROTECTED FLORA SPECIES (ART. 5 - APPENDIX I)

2016

Name of the species	No. of specimens involved (when practical)	No. of licences	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)1	Impact on population
Paeonia officinalis	2	1	scientific research	none

2. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING STRICTLY PROTECTED FAUNA SPECIES (ART. 6 - APPENDIX II)

2015

Name of the species	No. of specimens involved (when practical)	Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)[2]	No. of licences	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)[3]	Impact on population
Ursus arctos	1		1	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus euryale	46		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus ferrumequinim	83		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus hipposideros	5		1	i/iv	none
Barbastella barbastellus	3		1	i/iv	none
Eptesicus serotinus	1		1	i/iv	none
Miniopterus schreibersii	118		1	i/iv	none
Myotis bechsteinii	1		1	i/iv	none
Myotis capaccinii	1		1	i/iv	none
Myotis daubentonii	3		1	i/iv	none
Myotis emarginatus	4		1	i/iv	none
Myotis myotis	1		1	i/iv	none
Myotis mystacinus	1		1	i/iv	none
Nyctalus leisleri	3		1	i/iv	none

Nyctalus noctula	133		1	i/iv	none
Pipistrellus kuhlii	13		1	i/iv	none
Pipistrellus nathusii	2		1	i/iv	none
Plecotus auritus	1		1	i/iv	none
Plecotus austriacus	6		2	i/iv	none
Vespertilio murinus	2		1	i/iv	none
Tadorna tadorna	1		1	i/iv	none
Apus pallidus	3		1	i/iv	none
Charadrius dubius	1		1	i/iv	none
Charadrius hiaticula	1		1	i/iv	none
Glareola pratinicola	1		1	i/iv	none
Larus melanocephalus	1		1	i/iv	none
Recurvirostra avosseta	1		1	i/iv	none
Calidris alpina	1		1	i/iv	none
Calidris minuta	1		1	i/iv	none
Gallinago media	1		1	i/iv	none
Tringa glareola	1		1	i/iv	none
Tringa ochropus	1		1	i/iv	none
Tringa stagnatilis	1		1	i/iv	none
Chlidonias hybrida	1		1	i/iv	none
Chlidonias leucopterus	1		1	i/iv	none
Chlidonias niger	1		1	i/iv	none
Sterna albifrons	1		1	i/iv	none
Ardeola ralloides	7		1	i/iv	none
Egretta garzetta	52		2	i/iv	none
Ixobrychus minutus	7		1	i/iv	none

Nycticorax nycticorax	309	2	i/iv	none
Alcedo atthis	19	2	i/iv	none
Coracias garrulus	799	2	i/iv	none
Merops apiaster	58	3	i/iv	none
Upupa epops	4	1	i/iv	none
Accipiter nisus	48	1	i/iv	none
Aquila chrysaetos	1	1	i/iv	none
Circaetus galicus	3	2	i/iv	none
Buteo buteo	28	2	i/iv	none
Gyps fulvus	37	4	i/iv	none
Haliaeetus albicilla	6	1	i/iv	none
Falco cherrug	1	1	i/iv	none
Falco peregrinus	1	1	i/iv	none
Falco subbuteo	3	1	i/iv	none
Falco tinnunculus	187	4	i/iv	none
Falco vespertinus	20	1	i/iv	none
Eremophila alpestris	2	1	i/iv	none
Certhia familiaris	4	2	i/iv	none
Cinclus cinclus	2	1	i/iv	none
Nucifraga caryocatactes	3	2	i/iv	none
Certhia familiaris	4	2	i/iv	none
Cinclus cinclus	2	1	i/iv	none
Emberiza cirlus	8	1	i/iv	none
Emberiza citrinellla	15	1	i/iv	none
Emberiza melanocephala	5	2	i/iv	none
Emberiza schoeniclus	721	1	i/iv	none

Carduelis cannabina	93		1	i/iv	none
Carduelis carduelis	227		2	i/iv	none
Carduelis chloris	372		2	i/iv	none
Carduelis spinus	71		1	i/iv	none
Carpodacus erythrinus	2		1	i/iv	none
Coccothraustes coccothraustes	97		3	i/iv	none
Serinus serinus	23		2	i/iv	none
Hirundo rustica	1425		3	i/iv	none
Lanius collurio	152		3	i/iv	none
Lanius excubitor	1		1	i/iv	none
Lanius minor	2		1	i/iv	none
Lanius senator	1		1	i/iv	none
Anthus cervinus	1		1	i/iv	none
Anthus pratensis	16		1	i/iv	none
Anthus spinoletta	13		1	i/iv	none
Anthus trivialis	197		2	i/iv	none
Motacilla alba	9		2	i/iv	none
Motacilla cinerea	11		2	i/iv	none
Motacilla flava	68		3	i/iv	none
Ficedula albicollis	5		1	i/iv	none
Ficedula hypoleuca	13		1	i/iv	none
Ficedula parva	1		1	i/iv	none
Muscicapa striata	47		1	i/iv	none
Oriolus oriolus	9		12	i/iv	none
Aegithalos caudatus	128		3	i/iv	none
Parus ater	24		2	i/iv	none

Parus caeruleus	1123		2	i/iv	none
Parus cristatus	6		2	i/iv	none
Parus lugubris	5		2	i/iv	none
Parus major	2249		3	i/iv	none
Parus montanus	493		3	i/iv	none
Parus palustris	48		2	i/iv	none
Prunella modularis	24		3	i/iv	none
Sitta europaea	10		1	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus arundinaceus	372		4	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus palustris	141		3	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus schoenobaenus	1390		3	i/iv	none
Aerocephalus melanopogon	169		1	i/iv	none
Aerocephalus scirpaceus	2252		2	i/iv	none
Hippolais icterina	54		1	i/iv	none
Locustella fluviatilis	9		1	i/iv	none
Locustella luscinioidaes	486		1	i/iv	none
Locustella naevia	1		1	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus collybita	314		2	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus sibilatrix	110		1	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus trochilus	255		1	i/iv	none
Regulus ignicapillus	18		3	i/iv	none
Regulus regulus	65		3	i/iv	none
Sylvia atricapilla	623		3	i/iv	none
Sylvia borin	192		3	i/iv	none
Sylvia communis	139		3	i/iv	none
Sylvia curruca	1		2	i/iv	none

Sylvia nisoria	7		2	i/iv	none
Panurus biarmicus	813		1	i/iv	none
Erithacus rubecula	246		3	i/iv	none
Luscinia luscinia	11		1	i/iv	none
Luscinia megarhynchos	63		3	i/iv	none
Luscinia svecica	9		1	i/iv	none
Monticola saxatilis	1		1	i/iv	none
Oenanthe oenanthe	2		1	i/iv	none
Phoenicurus ochruros	132		3	i/iv	none
Phoenicurus phoenicurus	18		2	i/iv	none
Saxicola rubetra	9		2	i/iv	none
Saxicola torquatus	8		1	i/iv	none
Troglodytes troglodytes	97		2	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos major	18		3	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos medius	1		1	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos minor	4		2	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos syriacus	3		2	i/iv	none
Dryocopus martius	4		1	i/iv	none
Jynx torquilla	11		2	i/iv	none
Picus canus	2		1	i/iv	none
Picus viridis	4		2	i/iv	none
Podiceps nigricollis	1		1	i/iv	none
Asio otus	35		2	i/iv	none
Athene noctua	14		1	i/iv	none
Bubo bubo	7		1	i/iv	none
Otus scops	31		3	i/iv	none

Strix aluco	21		1	i/iv	none
Tyto alba	22		1	i/iv	none
Aegolius funereus	1		1	i/iv	none
Emys orbicularis	30		2	i/iv	none
Bombina bombina	13		1	i/iv	none
Rana dalmatina	2		1	i/iv	none
Cerambyx cerdo	4		1	i/iv	none
Lucanus (Lucanus) cervus	1		1	i/iv	none
Apatura metis	1		1	i/iv	none

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Name of the species	No. of specimens involved (when practical)	Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)[2]	No. Of licences	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)[3]	Impact on population
Ursus arctos	14		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus blasii	10		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus euryale	85		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus ferrumequinum	36		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus hipposideros	24		2	i/iv	none
Rhinolophus mehelyi	6		1	i/iv	none
Eptesicus serotinus	4		2	i/iv	none
Hypsugo savii	2		2	i/iv	none
Miniopterus schreibersii	184		3	i/iv	none
Myotis bechsteinii	2		1	i/iv	none
Myotis capaccinii	13		3	i/iv	none
Myotis daubentonii	17		3	i/iv	none
Myotis emarginatus	2		2	i/iv	none

Myotis myotis	26	3	i/iv	none
Myotis mystacinus	3	2	i/iv	none
Myotis nattereri	8	1	i/iv	none
Nyctalus noctula	4	2	i/iv	none
Pipistrellus kuhlii	12	1	i/iv	none
Plecotus auritus	6	2	i/iv	none
Plecotus austriacus	5	1	i/iv	none
Caprimulgus europeus	8	2	i/iv	none
Charadrius dubius	8	2	i/iv	none
Charadrius hiaticula	20	2	i/iv	none
Calidris alpina	34	2	i/iv	none
Calidris ferruginea	4	2	i/iv	none
Tringa glareola	30	2	i/iv	none
Ixobrychus minutus	16	7	i/iv	none
Ciconia ciconia	6	2	i/iv	none
Ciconia nigra	2	1	i/iv	none
Alcedo atthis	52	10	i/iv	none
Coracias garrulus	1053	7	i/iv	none
Merops apiaster	12	2	i/iv	none
Upupa epops	13	3	i/iv	none
Accipiter nisus	70	6	i/iv	none
Aquila heliaca	3	2	i/iv	none
Aquila pomarina	2	2	i/iv	none
Buteo buteo	83	5	i/iv	none
Circaetus galicus	8	3	i/iv	none
Circus macrourus	1	1	i/iv	none

Gyps fulvus	89		4	i/iv	none
Haliaeetus albicilla	38		2	i/iv	none
Falco subbuteo	8		2	i/iv	none
Falco tinnunculus	304		6	i/iv	none
Falco vespertinus	60		3	i/iv	none
Porzana porzana	2		2	i/iv	none
Certhia brachydactyla	8		3	i/iv	none
Certhia familiaris	14		5	i/iv	none
Emberiza cia	72		3	i/iv	none
Emberiza cirlus	10		2	i/iv	none
Emberiza citrinellla	50		3	i/iv	none
Emberiza melanocephala	3		3	i/iv	none
Emberiza schoeniclus	2089		3	i/iv	none
Carduelis cannabina	2		2	i/iv	none
Carduelis carduelis	76		9	i/iv	none
Carduelis chloris	149		6	i/iv	none
Carduelis spinus	86		3	i/iv	none
Coccothraustes coccothraustes	9		4	i/iv	none
Delichon urbica	11		3	i/iv	none
Hirundo rustica	364		4	i/iv	none
Riparia riparia	2321		4	i/iv	none
Lanius collurio	98		6	i/iv	none
Lanius excubitor	2		1	i/iv	none
Lanius minor	10		2	i/iv	none
Anthus camprestris	2		2	i/iv	none
Anthus pratensis	26		2	i/iv	none

Anthus trivialis	228		6	i/iv	none
Anthus spinoletta	92		2	i/iv	none
Motacilla alba	17		5	i/iv	none
Motacilla cinerea	3		2	i/iv	none
Motacilla flava	771		5	i/iv	none
Ficedula albicollis	2		1	i/iv	none
Ficedula hypoleuca	16		4	i/iv	none
Muscicapa striata	53		6	i/iv	none
Oriolus oriolus	12		5	i/iv	none
Aegithalos caudatus	255		9	i/iv	none
Parus ater	55		4	i/iv	none
Parus caeruleus	1083		11	i/iv	none
Parus montanus	36		6	i/iv	none
Parus cristatus	9		4	i/iv	none
Parus lugubris	48		1	i/iv	none
Parus major	2266		10	i/iv	none
Parus palustris	80		7	i/iv	none
Prunella modularis	47		5	i/iv	none
Sitta europaea	27		5	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus arundinaceus	906		9	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus palustris	2575		8	i/iv	none
Acrocephalus schoenobaenus	2252		8	i/iv	none
Aerocephalus melanopogon	303		2	i/iv	none
Aerocephalus scirpaceus	3216		8	i/iv	none
Hippolais icterina	22		4	i/iv	none
Hippolais pallida	4		2	i/iv	none

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Locustella fluviatilis	6		2	i/iv	none
Locustella luscinioidaes	653		7	i/iv	none
Locustella naevia	6		2	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus collybita	522		8	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus sibilatrix	115		6	i/iv	none
Phylloscopus trochilus	225		8	i/iv	none
Regulus ignicapillus	23		4	i/iv	none
Regulus regulus	150		8	i/iv	none
Sylvia atricapilla	892		13	i/iv	none
Sylvia borin	106		7	i/iv	none
Sylvia communis	152		8	i/iv	none
Sylvia curruca	86		6	i/iv	none
Sylvia nisoria	6		8	i/iv	none
Panurus biarmicus	1450		3	i/iv	none
Erithacus rubecula	612		9	i/iv	none
Luscinia luscinia	24		4	i/iv	none
Luscinia megarhynchos	77		7	i/iv	none
Luscinia svecica	52		4	i/iv	none
Oenanthe oenanthe	2		1	i/iv	none
Phoenicurus phoenicurus	10		3	i/iv	none
Phoenicurus ochruros	123		7	i/iv	none
Saxicola torquatus	56		4	i/iv	none
Saxicola rubetra	34		5	i/iv	none
Troglodytes troglodytes	78		7	i/iv	none
Phalacrocorax pygmaeus	1		1	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos major	21		7	i/iv	none

Dendrocopos medius	8		3	i/iv	none
Dendrocopos minor	4		3	i/iv	none
Dryocopus martius	4		3	i/iv	none
Picus canus	6		4	i/iv	none
Picus viridis	19		4	i/iv	none
Asio otus	21		1	i/iv	none
Athene noctua	22		1	i/iv	none
Bubo bubo	5		1	i/iv	none
Otus scops	37		2	i/iv	none
Strix aluco	87		2	i/iv	none
Tyto alba	10		2	i/iv	none
Emys orbicularis	28		1	i/iv	none
Lucanus cervus	2		1	i/iv	none
Apatura metis	1		1	i/iv	none

4. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING PROTECTED FAUNA SPECIES (ART. 7 APPENDIX III)

2015

Name of the species	No. of individuals involved (when practical)	Exception made	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)[5]	Impact on the population
Castor fiber	9		i/iv	none
Neomys fodiens	3		i/iv	none
Anas acuta	1		i/iv	none
Anas clypeata	1		i/iv	none
Anas strepera	1		i/iv	none
Aythya fuligula	1		i/iv	none
Aythya nyroca	1		i/iv	none
Bucephala clangula	1		i/iv	none

Melanitta fusca	1		i/iv	none
Netta rufina	1		i/iv	none
Somateria mollissima	1		i/iv	none
Pluvialis apricaria	1		i/iv	none
Caprimulgus europeus	7		i/iv	none
Haematopus ostralegus	1		i/iv	none
Anas penelope	1		i/iv	none
Anas platyrhynchos	1		i/iv	none
Anas querquedula	1		i/iv	none
Anser albifrons	1		i/iv	none
Larus cachinnans	1		i/iv	none
Larus canus	6		i/iv	none
Larus ridibundus	254		i/iv	none
Tringa erithropus	1		i/iv	none
Tringa nebularia	1		i/iv	none
Tringa totanus	1		i/iv	none
Gallinago gallinago	1		i/iv	none
Limosa limosa	1		i/iv	none
Lymnocryptes minimus	1		i/iv	none
Numenius arquata	1		i/iv	none
Numenius phaeopus	1		i/iv	none
Phalaropus lobatus	1		i/iv	none
Scolopax rusticola	1		i/iv	none
Cuculus canorus	8		i/iv	none
Emberiza calandra	3		i/iv	none
Emberiza hortulana	48		i/iv	none

Fringilla coelebs	161		i/iv	none
Fringilla montifringilla	48		i/iv	none
Pyrrhula pyrrhula	3		i/iv	none
Passer hispaniiolensis	5		i/iv	none
Turdus merula	152		i/iv	none
Turdus philomelos	38		i/iv	none
Turdus pilaris	4		i/iv	none
Ardea cinerea	4		i/iv	none
Rallus aquaticus	1		i/iv	none
Alauda arvensis	2		i/iv	none
Lullula arborea	1		i/iv	none
Remiz pendulinus	185		i/iv	none
Streptopelia decaocto	13		i/iv	none
Streptopelia turtur	1		i/iv	none
Perdix perdix	8		i/iv	none
Phasianus colchicus	1		i/iv	none
Gallinula chloropus	2		i/iv	none
Corvus corax	2		i/iv	none
Corvus cornix	1		i/iv	none
Corvus frugilegus	3		i/iv	none
Passer montanus	3		i/iv	none
Pelophylax kl. esculenta	87		i/iv	none
Helix pomatia	80		i/iv	none

2016

Name of the species	No. of individuals involved (when practical)	Exception made	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)[5]	Impact on the population
Castor fiber	4		i/iv	none
Cygnus olor	3		i/iv	none
Ardea cinerea	6		i/iv	none
Actitis hypoleucos	2		i/iv	none
Gallinago gallinago	2		i/iv	none
Tringa nebularia	2		i/iv	none
Lymnocryptes minimus	2		i/iv	none
Philomachus pugnax	2		i/iv	none
Columba livia	2		i/iv	none
Cuculus canorus	5		i/iv	none
Rallus aquaticus	7		i/iv	none
Alauda arvensis	3		i/iv	none
Fringilla coelebs	162		i/iv	none
Fringilla montifringilla	28		i/iv	none
Pyrrhula pyrrhula	126		i/iv	none
Remiz pendulinus	605		i/iv	none
Streptopelia decaocto	5		i/iv	none
Gallinula chloropus	1		i/iv	none
Turdus merula	503		i/iv	none
Turdus philomelos	47		i/iv	none
Turdus viscivorus	7		i/iv	none
Corvus corax	120		i/iv	none
Corvus cornix	4		*i/iv*	none

Passer hispaniiolensis	3		i/iv		none
Passer montanus	596		i/iv		none

5. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING THE USE OF MEANS OF CAPTURE AND KILLING SPECIFIED IN APPENDIX IV

2015.

Name of the species	No. of specimens(when practical)	No. of licences	Reasons(art. 8, a. to e.)[6]	Method used[7]	Impact on the population
Lutra lutra	1	1	Found dead on the road		none
Sorex alpinus	1	1	Found dead		none
Talpa caeca	1	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus euryale	1	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus ferrumequinum	6	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus hipposideros	1	1	Found dead		none
Hypsugo savii	2	1	Found dead		none
Miniopterus schreibersii	2	1	Found dead		none
Myotis emarginatus	1	1	Found dead		none
Myotis mystacinus	1	1	Found dead		none
Nyctalus noctula	3	1	Found dead		none
Pipistrellus kuhlii	9	1	Found dead		none
Plecotus austriacus	1	1	Found dead		none
Vespertilio murinus	1	1	Found dead		none
Mustela putorius	1	1	Found dead		none
Haliaeetus albicilla	4			Cause of death undetermined	
	1		Illegal action	poisoned	
Buteo buteo	3		Illegal action	poisoned	

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Name of the species	No. of Specimens(when practical)	No. of licences	Reasons (art. 8, a. to e.)[6]	Method used[7]	Impact on the population
Ursus arctos	1	1	died in zoo Palic		none
Rhinolophus blasii	1	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus ferrumequinum	1	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus hipposideros	1	1	Found dead		none
Rhinolophus mehelyi	6	1	Found dead		none
Nyctalus noctula	5	2	Found dead		none
Pipistrellus kuhlii	2	1	Found dead		none
Plecotus austriacus	1	1	Found dead		none
Glis glis	17	1	Found dead		none
Oxynoemacheilus bureschi	13	1	Scientific research		none
Cobitis elongata	7	1	Scientific research		none
Alburnoides bipunctatus	55	1	Scientific research		none
Chondrostoma nasus	23	1	Scientific research		none
Hucho hucho	1	1	Scientific research		none
Haliaeetus albicilla	6		Illegal action	poisoned	
Buteo buteo	6		Illegal action	poisoned	
Gyps fulvus	1			found dead from a firearm wound	
	5		Illegal action	poisoned	

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