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**BIENNIAL REPORT (2009-2010)**

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

No exceptions granted

Name of the species	No. of specimens involved (when practical)	No. of licences	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.) <sup>1</sup>	Impact on population

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species
The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled
Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exception where granted
The controls involved
Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

<sup>1</sup> i.: protection of flora /fauna

ii.: prevention of serious damage to crops, livestock, forests, fisheries, water and other forms of property

iii.: in the interests of public health and safety, air safety or other overriding public interests (which?)

iv.: for research / education / repopulation / reintroduction / necessary breeding

v.: judicious exploitation of certain wild plants in small numbers and under certain conditions

Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them
Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)
Comments/notes

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

Name of the species	No. of specimens involved (when practical)	Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.) <sup>2</sup>	No. of licences	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.) <sup>3</sup>	Impact on population
<i>Merops apiaster</i> *		A		ii	No significant impact

**\*Exception granted only in 2009. No exceptions granted in 2010**

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species	
The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled	
Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exception where granted	Hunting of this bird species was granted for a very short period of time, between 15/9/2009 and 18/10/2009 Authorized persons to hunt: Registered bee-keepers from the records of the Department of Agriculture who also held valid 2009 hunting licenses.
The controls involved	
Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status	

<sup>2</sup> A: Deliberate killing  
 B: Deliberate damage to or destruction of breeding or resting sites  
 C: Deliberate capture and keeping  
 D: Deliberate disturbance of wild fauna  
 E: Deliberate destruction or taking of eggs  
 F: Possession and internal trade

<sup>3</sup> i.: protection of flora /fauna  
 ii.: prevention of serious damage to crops, livestock, forests, fisheries, water and other forms of property  
 iii.: in the interests of public health and safety, air safety or other overriding public interests (which?)  
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### 3. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING FALCONRY

**Falconry is prohibited in Cyprus. No exceptions were granted.**

For each species used in falconry, state (use a separate sheet for each species):

Name of species:	
No. of birds in captivity (after entry into force of the Convention)	
Origin of birds:	
% captured from the wild in the State	
% imported	
% reared in captivity	
Estimated population in the wild (in the State)	
No. of birds captured from the wild each year	
No. of birds imported (specify country of origin)	
Means authorised for capture	
Controls involved	

### 4. EXCEPTIONS CONCERNING PROTECTED FAUNA SPECIES (ART. 7 APPENDIX III)<sup>4</sup>

**No exceptions granted**

Name of the species	No. of individuals involved (when practical)	Exception made	Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.) <sup>5</sup>	Impact on the population

<sup>4</sup> Kindly note that exceptions to species listed in Appendix III concern only those captured or killed using indiscriminate means of capture or killing and in particular methods specified in Appendix IV.

<sup>5</sup> i.: protection of flora /fauna

ii.: prevention of serious damage to crops, livestock, forests, fisheries, water and other forms of property

iii.: in the interests of public health and safety, air safety or other overriding public interests (which?)

iv.: for research / education / repopulation / reintroduction / necessary breeding

v.: judicious exploitation of certain wild plants in small numbers and under certain conditions

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

### No exceptions granted

Name of the species	No. of specimens (when practical)	No. of licences	Reasons (art. 8, a. to e.) <sup>6</sup>	Method used <sup>7</sup>	Impact on the population

<sup>6</sup> A. Protection of flora and fauna

B. To prevent serious damage to crops, livestock, forests, fisheries, water and other forms of property

C. In the interests of public health and safety / air safety / overriding public interests

D. For research / education / repopulation / reintroduction / necessary breeding

E. Taking, keeping or other judicious exploitation of certain wild animals and plants in small numbers and under certain conditions (see art. 8)

<sup>7</sup> Choose from article 8 : 1 to 18 – See for reference pages 6-7 of this document