

# Biennial Report 2015-2016

Article 9 to the Bern Convention permits exceptions from the obligations accepted by Contracting Parties in pursuance of Articles 4 to 8. The possibility of derogating from the mentioned articles of the Convention is subject to two very clearly defined general conditions, and some non cumulative specific reasons, listed exhaustively in Article 9.

The two general conditions that must be met are:

- a. that there is no other satisfactory solution; and
- b. that the exception will not be detrimental to the survival of the population concerned.

These two conditions are mandatory and cumulative.

The specific reasons for which the exceptions may be granted are the following:

- i. for the protection of flora and fauna;
- ii. to prevent 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 (please, specify);
- iv. for the purposes of research and education, of repopulation, of reintroduction and for the necessary breeding;
- v. to permit, under strictly supervised conditions, on a selective basis and to a limited extent, the taking, keeping or other judicious exploitation of certain wild animals and plants in small numbers
- vi. falconry (falconry is dealt with separately)

These specific reasons are mandatory and non cumulative.

According to Article 9§2, Contracting Parties shall report every two years to the Standing Committee on the exceptions made. The reports must specify:

- a. the populations which are or have been subject to the exceptions and, when practical, the number of specimens involved;
- b. the means authorised for the killing or capture;
- c. the conditions of risk and the circumstances of time and place under which such exceptions were granted;
- d. the authority empowered to declare that these conditions have been fulfilled, and to take decisions in respect of the means that may be used, their limits and the persons instructed to carry them out;
- e. the controls involved.

## Respondent details

Country

> Morocco

Entity

> Haut Commissariat aux Eaux et Forêts et à la Lutte Contre la Désertification

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

Article 6 of the Convention prohibits the following:

- a) all forms of deliberate capture and keeping and deliberate killing;
- b) the deliberate damage to or destruction of breeding or resting sites;
- c) the deliberate disturbance of wild fauna, particularly during the period of breeding, rearing and hibernation, insofar as disturbance would be significant in relation to the objectives of this Convention;
- d) the deliberate destruction or taking of eggs from the wild or keeping these eggs even if empty;
- e) the possession of and internal trade in these animals, alive or dead, including stuffed animals and any readily recognisable part or derivative thereof, (where this would contribute to the effectiveness of the provisions of this article).

## Vertebrates

### REPTILES > CHELONIA (TESTUDINES)

#### Testudinidae

#### Testudo graeca

#### Confirmation of species occurrence

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

- The species occurs in the country

No. of specimens involved (when practical)

> 150

Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)

- all forms of deliberate capture and keeping and deliberate killing;

No. of licences

> 1

Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)

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

Impact on population

> l'autorisation a été délivrée pour la capture des tortues pour prélever des échantillons de sang, pour analyse génétique. les spécimens capturés seront relâchés dans la nature dans les lieux de leur capture après les opérations mensurations et de prélèvement des échantillons ; ce qui n'a pas d'impact sur la population

Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exceptions were granted

> les captures se font à la main sans aucun risque ni sur les individus capturés ni sur la population

The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled

> Département des Eaux et Forêts

The controls involved

> Agents des Eaux et Forêts et la police de l'environnement

#### Additional details

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species

> l'espèce est très abondante au niveau national

Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

> les spécimens capturés sont relâchés dans la nature

Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them

> aucune alternative car l'étude nécessite la capture des spécimens sauvages

Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)

> capture de presque le nombre souhaité

Comments/notes

> -

Where appropriate: indiscriminate means of capture and killing

1. Snares

## **BIRDS > CICONIIFORMES**

### **Ciconiidae**

#### **All species of Ciconiidae (Ciconia ciconia)**

#### **Confirmation of species occurrence**

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

The species occurs in the country

No. of specimens involved (when practical)

> 50

Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)

all forms of deliberate capture and keeping and deliberate killing;

No. of licences

> 1

Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)

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

Impact on population

> l'autorisation a été délivré pour la capture, le prélèvement d'échantillons et la pose d'émetteurs. ces opérations n'ont aucun impact ni sur les individus capturés ni sur la population. de plus, les oiseaux capturés doivent être relâchés après les opérations de prélèvement d'échantillons et de pose d'émetteurs.

Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exceptions were granted

> l'utilisation des filets pour la capture ne présente aucun risque que ce soit sur les individus capturés ou sur la population

The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled

> Département des Eaux et Forêts

The controls involved

> Agents des Eaux et Forêts et la police de l'environnement

### **Additional details**

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species

> la cigogne blanche est une espèce commune, migratrice et nicheuse au Maroc. c'est une espèce protégée au Maroc

Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

> l'autorisation à un but purement scientifique

Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them

> l'étude menée nécessite la capture des oiseaux sauvages

Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)

> aucun rapport n'a été reçu

Comments/notes

> -

Where appropriate: indiscriminate means of capture and killing

10. Nets

## **BIRDS > PHOENICOPTERIFORMES**

### **Phoenicopteridae**

#### **Phoenicopus ruber (Phoenicopus roseus)**

##### **Confirmation of species occurrence**

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

The species occurs in the country

No. of specimens involved (when practical)

> 30

Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)

all forms of deliberate capture and keeping and deliberate killing;

No. of licences

> 1

Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)

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

Impact on population

> le nombre de spécimens à prélever n'aura pas d'impact sur la population du flamant rose

Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exceptions were granted

> les filets sont les seuls moyens autorisés pour la capture des flamants roses

les captures de nuit sont strictement interdites

The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled

> les agents du Haut Commissariat aux Eaux e Forêts et à la lutte contre la Désertification (HCEFLCD) ainsi que la police de la protection de l'environnement

The controls involved

> agents du HCEFLCD et la police de l'environnement

##### **Additional details**

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species

> le flamant rose est considéré comme espèce migratrice et hivernante au Maroc. il fréquente avec des effectifs assez important les zones humides du Maroc allant de la lagune de Khenifiss(sud du pays) jusqu'à Merja Zerga et Larache (nord du pays)

Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

> l'exposition du flamant rose au niveau du jardin zoologique nationale de rabat ne peut que contribuer à la conservation de l'espèce

Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them

> échange avec d'autres zoo

Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)

> aucun individus n'a pas été capturé

Where appropriate: indiscriminate means of capture and killing

10. Nets

## **BIRDS > GRUIFORMES**

### **Otididae**

#### **All species of Otididae (Chlamydotis undulata)**

##### **Confirmation of species occurrence**

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

The species occurs in the country

No. of specimens involved (when practical)

> 30

Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)

the deliberate destruction or taking of eggs from the wild or keeping these eggs even if empty;

No. of licences

> 1

Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)

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

Impact on population

> L'autorisation avait pour but la collecte d'œufs des pontes de 30 femelles pour leur éclosion dans le centre d'ECWP à Missour . cette opération n'a pas d'impact puisque les outardes vont être relâchés par la suite dans le milieu naturel

Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exceptions where granted

> la collecte ne présente aucun risque ni sur les individus ni sur les oeufs des outardes

The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled

> Département des Eaux et Forêts

The controls involved

> Agents des Eaux et Forêts et police de l'environnement

### **Additional details**

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

Information on the conservation status of the derogated species

> Grâce au programme de conservation de l'outarde houbara et aux opérations de repeuplement dans le milieu naturel des outardes issus de l'élevage, l'espèce se porte bien dans la région de l'oriental du pays. toutefois l'espèce à un statut d'espèce protégée

Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

> le but de la dérogation est le repeuplement

Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them

> aucun

Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)

> aucun rapport n'a été reçu

Where appropriate: indiscriminate means of capture and killing

10. Nets

## **BIRDS > CHARADRIIFORMES**

### **Burhinidae**

#### **Burhinus oedicnemus**

### **Confirmation of species occurrence**

Please confirm the occurrence of the species in the country

The species occurs in the country

No. of specimens involved (when practical)

> 40

Authorised action (art. 6, a. to f.)

all forms of deliberate capture and keeping and deliberate killing;

No. of licences

> 1

#### Reasons for issuing of licences (art. 9, i. to v.)

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

#### Impact on population

> le nombre d'individus à prélever n'a pas d'impact sur la population de l'espèce qui est très commune au Maroc

#### Conditions of risk and the circumstances and the time and place under which exceptions were granted

> l'utilisation uniquement des filets pour la capture des oiseaux ne présente aucun risque

#### The authority empowered to declare that the conditions have been fulfilled

> Département des eaux et forêts

#### The controls involved

> Agents des eaux et forêts et police de l'environnement

### **Additional details**

Where appropriate, please add a text providing information on:

#### Information on the conservation status of the derogated species

> l'espèce est très commune au Maroc et les effectifs semblent dans un état qui permet le prélèvement sans nuire à la survie de la population de cette espèce

#### Justification for derogation for a species in an unfavourable conservation status

> l'espèce est très commune au Maroc et le prélèvement de 40 individus pour leur multiplication ne présente aucun risque sur la survie de la population de cette espèce

#### Alternative solutions considered and scientific data to compare them

> aucune alternative

#### Results of derogations (e.g. Cumulative effects and compensation measures where relevant)

> prélèvement de 40 individus

#### Comments/notes

> dérogation sans aucun risque sur la survie de l'espèce

#### Where appropriate: indiscriminate means of capture and killing

10. Nets

