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THIS REPORT RELATES TO THE YEARS: 1997-1998 and 1995-1996 (additional information)

CONTRACTING PARTY: European Community

General comments on the Convention and its implementation

Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds and Directive 92/43/EEC on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora, constitute the framework within which the provisions of the Bern Convention are applied.

Derogations

The information on the authorities empowered to authorise derogations from Article 6 (Species in Appendices I and II to the Convention) and the derogations regarding the methods of capture and killing listed in Appendix IV is set out below, in keeping with the specifications of document T - PVS(99)25 of the Standing Committee of the Convention.

This document does not mention certain practices which are currently the subject of a dispute between the Commission and certain Member States, including infringements of Directives 79/409/EEC and 92/43/EEC, nor those undertaken for research purposes (in particular ringing birds and marking bats) or for the conservation of species, save when the latter type of derogation leads to the definitive removal of a significant number of individuals (ten or more) from their natural habitat.

It is based on information supplied by the Member States. The reports on derogations concerning birds (Directive 79/409/EEC) for the year 1997 have been received from 14 out of 15 Member States; reports for the year 1998 have been received from 12 Member States.¹ With regard to derogations concerning other species (Directive 92/43/EEC), this report supplements the 1995-1996 biennial report in the case of 8 additional Member States whose reports were received in the interim.² Reports for the period 1997-1998 have been received from 12 Member States.³

Information on the nature of the risk and details of when and where derogations were granted, as well as on the controls carried out, can be found in the reports of the Member States transmitted under Article 9 of Directive 79/409/EEC or Article 16 of Directive 92/43/EEC.

For information concerning imports and exports, see "Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, EEC Annual Report 1997 to CITES" and "Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, EEC Annual Report 1998 to CITES".

¹ Ireland did not supply a report for either 1997 or 1998; no report for 1998 was received from Greece or Denmark; and Belgium's report for 1998 was incomplete (covering only the Flemish region).

² Denmark, Germany, Spain, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Portugal.

³ No reports have been received from Ireland, the Netherlands or Sweden; the reports provided by Belgium and Austria were incomplete.

AUTHORITIES EMPOWERED TO AUTHORISE DEROGATIONS

The following authorities are empowered to decide whether the conditions referred to in Article 9 of Directive 79/409/EEC and Article 16 of Directive 92/43/EEC have been met and what means, arrangements or methods may be used, within what limits and by what persons:

Belgique - Belgïe (B)

Ministère de l'Agriculture, Administration de la Recherche Agronomique

- Vlaams Gewest : Ministerie van de Vlaamse Gemeenschap. Aminal, Administratie Milieu-, Natuur-, Land- en Waterbeheer, Graaf de Ferraris-gebouw (E. Jacquainlaan 156 bus 2, B-1000 Brussel).
- Région Wallonne : Ministère de la Région Wallonne. Direction générale des Ressources Naturelles et de l'Environnement (Avenue Albert 1er, 187, B-5000 Namur).
- Région Bruxelloise : Institut Bruxellois de la Gestion de l'Environnement. (Rue de Trèves 49, B - 1040 Bruxelles).

Danmark (DK)

Skov- og Naturstyrelsen, (Miljø og Energi Ministeriet, Vildtforvaltningskontoret). Haraldsgade 53, DK - 2100 København Ø.

Deutschland (D)

Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz und Reaktorsicherheit. Godesberger Allee 90, D - 53175 Bonn 1. The regional authorities empowered are those of the "Länder".

Hellas (EL)

From 11 March to 19 August: Regional authorities of the Forestry Services (Decision No 164168/1572/23-4-85). From 20 August to 10 March: Ministry of Agriculture - Secretariat-General for Forests, Forestry Service, Wildlife Management Section, Hippokratous 3-5, GR - 10 164 Athens.

España (E)

Ministerio de Medio Ambiente, Dirección General de Conservación de la Naturaleza, Subdirección General de Conservación de la Biodiversidad, Gran Vía de San Francisco 4.4a, E-28005 Madrid

- Andalucía (Junta de) : Consejería de Medio Ambiente, Sevilla. Consejería de la Presidencia, Sevilla.
- Aragón (Diputación General de) : Dirección General del Medio Natural, Zaragoza.
- Asturias (Principado de) : Consejería de Agricultura, Oviedo.
- Baleares (Comunidad Autónoma y Gobierno de las Islas): Consejería de Medio Ambiente, Ordenación del Territorio y Litoral, Palma de Mallorca.

- Canarias (Gobierno de) : Consejería de Política Territorial y Medio Ambiente, Santa Cruz de Tenerife.
- Cantabria (Diputación Regional y Consejo de Gobierno de): Servicio de Montes, Caza y Conservación de la Naturaleza, Santander.
- Castilla-La-Mancha (Junta de Comunidades de) : Delegaciones Provinciales de Agricultura y Medio Ambiente.
- Castilla y León (Junta de) : Consejería de Medio Ambiente y Ordenación del Territorio, Mérida.
- Cataluña (Generalitat de) : Subdirección General de Conservació de la Natura, Barcelona.
- Galicia (Junta de) : Consellería de Medio Ambiente. Dirección General de Montes y Medio Ambiente Natural, Santiago de Compostela.
- Madrid (Comunidad de) : Consejería de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo Regional, Madrid.
- Murcia (Región de) : Consejería de Medio Ambiente, Agricultura y Agua, Murcia.
- Navarra (Gobierno y Diputación Foral de) : Departamento de Medio Ambiente, Ordenación del Territorio y Vivienda, Pamplona.
- País Vasco (Gobierno Vasco) : Diputatio Foral de Agricultura, Vitoria.
- La Rioja (Comunidad Autónoma de) : Dirección General del Medio Natural, Logrono.
- Valencia (Generalitat Valenciana) : Direcciones Territoriales de la Consellería de Medio Ambiente, Valencia.

France (F)

Ministère de l'Aménagement du Territoire et de l'Environnement, Direction de la Nature et des Paysages, Sous-Direction de la Chasse, de la Faune et de la Flore sauvages, and the State's representatives in the departments subject to authorisation by the Secretary of State for the Environment, 20 Avenue de Ségur, F - 75302 Paris 07 SP.

Ireland (IRL)

Office of Public Works, National Parks and Wildlife Service. 51 St Stephen Green, Irl – Dublin 2.

Italia (I)

Ministero dell'Ambiente. Servizio conservazione della Natura, Via Assisi, 163, I-00181 Roma, and Corpo Forestale dello Stato, Via Carducci, 5, I-00164 Roma. Regional authorities for hunting and fishing (Abruzzi, Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia-Romagna, Friuli-Venezia Giulia-Trieste, Lazio, Liguria, Lombardia, Marche, Molise, Piemonte, Puglia, Sardegna, Sicilia, Toscana, Trentino-Alto Adige, Umbria, Valle d'Aosta, Veneto).

Luxembourg (L)

Ministère de l'Environnement. Montée de la Pétrusse 18, L - 2918 Luxembourg Ville.

Nederland (NL)

Ministerie van Landbouw, Natuurbeheer en Visserij, Directie Natuurbeheer, Bezuidenhoutseweg, 73, Postbus 20401, NL - 2500 EK Den Haag.

Österreich (A)

- Amt der Burgenländischen Landesregierung, Abt 5/III, Natur- und Umweltschutz
- Amt der Kärntner Landesregierung, A-9021 Klagenfurt
- Amt der Tiroler Landesregierung, Abt. Umweltschutz. Eduard Wallnöfer Platz 1, A - 6020 Innsbruck.
- Amt der Nö Landesregierung, Naturschutzabteilung
- Amt der Oö Landesregierung, Naturschutzabteilung, Linz
- Amt der Salzburger Landesregierung, Abt 13 : Naturschutz, A-5010 Salzburg
- Amt der Steiermärkischen Landesregierung, Rechtsabteilung 6, Graz
- Amt der Vorarlberger Landesregierung, Landhaus, A-6901 Bregenz
- Amt der Wiener Landesregierung, 1082 Wien, Rathaus

Portugal (P)

Instituto da Conservação da Natureza, Secretaria de Estado do Ambiente e Recursos Naturais, Rua da Lapa 73, P - 1200 Lisboa.

Suomi-Finland (FIN)

Ministry of Environment, P.O. Box 399, Korkeavuorenkatu 21, SF - 00121 Helsinki.

Sweden (S)

Swedish Environmental Protection Agency (Naturvårdsverket), Blekholmsterrassen 36, S-106 48 Stockholm.

United Kingdom (UK)

England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland.

Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions, Wildlife Division, Tollgate House, Houlton Street, UK-Bristol BS2 9DJ, after consulting Joint Nature Conservation Committee.

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, London.

Scottish Development Department, Edinburgh.

Department of Agriculture for Scotland, Edinburgh.

Welsh Office, Cardiff.

Department of the Environment - Northern Ireland, Belfast.

Derogations for scientific reasons are delivered by JNCC, others by regional Government.

1. DEROGATIONS CONCERNING STRICTLY PROTECTED FLORA SPECIES

Year 1997

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (if possible)	Reason ⁴	Impact on population
<i>Aeonium gomeraense</i>	4	5	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Aeonium saundersii</i>	3	3	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Androsace pyrenaica</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Asplenium hemionites</i>	1	200 sori	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Borderea chouardii</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Cypripedium calceolus</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Dendriopterium pulidoi</i>	1	0	A	No impact (E)
<i>Dracaena draco</i>	2	600 seeds	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
	1	1	C	Negligible impact (E)
	1	0	A	No impact (E)
<i>Euphorbia lambii</i>	1	0	A	No impact (E)
<i>Liparis loeselii</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (UK)
<i>Luronium natans</i>	1	?	A	Impact unknown/negligible (UK)
<i>Monanthes wildpretii</i>	1	2	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Saxifraga hirculus</i>	1	?	A	Impact assumed positive (UK)
<i>Sideroxylon marmulano</i>	1	200 seeds	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Sphagnum pylaisii</i>	1	?	A	Impact assumed positive (UK)
<i>Petrocoptis monstsiicciana</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Petrocoptis pseudoviscosa</i>	1	?	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Woodwardia radicans</i>	1	200 seeds	A	Potentially positive impact (E)

⁴ A - For the purposes of research, education, repopulation or reintroduction
 B - For commercial purposes
 C - For other reasons of overriding public interest.

Year 1998

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (if possible)	Reason ⁵	Impact on population
<i>Asplenium hemionites</i>	1	5	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Culcita macrocarpa</i>	1	5	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Echium gentianoides</i>	1	?	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Liparis loeselii</i>	2	?	A	Potentially positive impact (UK)
<i>Luronium natans</i>	5	?	A	Impact unknown/negligible (UK)
<i>Narcissus triandrus</i>	1	20	A	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Petrocoptis montsicciana</i>	1	3 individuals + seeds of 40 flowers	A	Potentially positive impact (E)
<i>Saxifraga hirculus</i>	1	?	A	Impact assumed positive (UK)
<i>Woodwardia radicans</i>	1	5	A	Negligible impact (E)

⁵ A - For the purposes of research, education, repopulation or reintroduction
 B - For commercial purposes
 C - For other reasons of overriding public interest.

2. DEROGATIONS CONCERNING STRICTLY PROTECTED FAUNA SPECIES
(APPENDIX II)

Birds - Year 1997

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	5	0 (86 nests)	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (E)
	5	0 (6 nests)	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (P)
	1	0 (5 nests)	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (D)
<i>Branta leucopsis</i>	13	290	a, c	II	Shooting or destruction of eggs	Negligible impact. Migratory population > 100000; nesting population increasing (S)
<i>Milvus milvus</i>	1	10 immature	c	IV	Capture of young in the nest	Negligible impact on breeding population (E). Reinforcement of population.
	1	10 immature	c	IV	Capture of young in the nest	Negligible impact on breeding population (D). Reinforcement of population in UK.
<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	33	61	a	I,II	Shooting or capture and killing	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 500 nesting pairs (DK)
	7	17	a, b, c	II,V	Shooting, capture Capture of young in the nest	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 4200 to 4700 nesting pairs (D)
	11	10	c	VI	Capture of young in the nest	Negligible impact. 3000 to 4400 nesting pairs (F)
	20	199	a	I	Shooting	Study on-going. Takings from ca 7000 nesting pairs (S)
<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	1	1	c	VI	Capture of young in the nest	No impact. 10000 to 20000 nesting pairs (F)
<i>Buteo buteo</i>	26+	38	a	I, II	Shooting or capture	Negligible impact. 5000 nesting pairs (DK)
	7	6	a	III	Shooting	No impact. 5000 nesting pairs (DK)
	-	30	a	II,V	Shooting	Negligible impact. >50000 nesting pairs (D)
<i>Circus pygargus</i>	1	23	b	I	Capture of young in the nest	Positive impact. Nests at risk of destruction relocated (D)
<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	7	8	a	III	Shooting	No impact. 2000 to 2500 nesting pairs (DK)
	10	10 nests	b	III	Destruction of nests	Negligible impact. Artificial platforms built to replace nests (D)
<i>Larus audouinii</i>	1	12	c	IV	Capture (netting)	Negligible impact. 14 000 nesting pairs (E)
<i>Merops apiaster</i>	46	-	a	II	Shooting, netting	Negligible impact. > 100000 nesting pairs (E)
	38	0	d	II	Shooting	No impact (scared away). >100000 nesting pairs (E)
<i>Delichon urbica</i>	4	200 nests	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (E)
	138	138 nests	b	III	Destruction of nests	Negligible impact. Nests probably destroyed outside the breeding season (D)
<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	9	13	a	VI	Falconry	No impact. 2000000 nesting pairs (UK)

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>	24	Several thousand (2635+290 ind.)	a	II	Shooting, trapping, netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 2000000 to 2250000 nesting pairs (E)
<i>Sturnus sp.</i>	47	*	a	II	Netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 2000000 to 2250000 nesting pairs for <i>Sturnus unicolor</i> (E)
	39	-	d	II	Shooting	
Fringillidae - <i>Serinus serinus</i> - <i>Carduelis chloris</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	6560	264869**	c	IV,V	Netting, box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
Fringillidae - <i>Loxia curvirostra</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis spinus</i>	549	Unknown ***	c	V	Netting, box-traps	Negligible impact (A)

* No limit on numbers. In 1994 the corresponding derogation concerned the capture of 25.000 *Sturnus spp.*

** Including a small number of *Fringilla coelebs* (species listed in Appendix III to the Bern Convention).

*** No number provided. In 1995 the corresponding derogation concerned less than 2218 individuals in total.

Other species - Year 1995 (additional information)

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Canis lupus</i>	50	7	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
	3	6	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (EL)
<i>Podarcis pityntensis</i>	1	225	a, c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Balearic Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia galloti</i>	3	102	a, c	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia stehli</i>	1	15	a	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Chalcides viridanus</i>	1	15	a	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Lacerta agilis</i>	13	12*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Euproctus asper</i>	1	15*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Podarcis muralis</i>	1	10*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Discoglossus pictus</i>	2	23*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Margaritifera auricularia</i>	13	38*	c	I	Capture (by hand and suction apparatus)	Positive impact or no impact (animals moved before dredging works began) (E)

* Number of individuals captured and held in captivity between 1994 and 1996.

Other species - Year 1996 (additional information)

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Canis lupus</i>	11	3	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
	3	6	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E.)
<i>Alyx obstetricans</i>	1	23	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (P)
	1	30	a, c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Podarcis muralis</i>	1	30	c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Podarcis muralis</i>	1	10*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Euproctus asper</i>	1	15*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Discoglossus pictus</i>	1	23*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Gallotia galloti</i>	5	255	a, c	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia stehlini</i>	1	20	a	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Tarentola boettgeri</i>	2	100	a	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Tarentola angustimentalis</i>	2	150	a	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Tarentola delalandi</i>	1	50	a	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Lacerta agilis</i>	13	12*	a	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Margarattjera auricularia</i>	13	38*	c	I	Capture (by hand and suction apparatus)	Positive impact or no impact (animals moved before dredging works began) (E)

* Number of individuals captured and kept in captivity between 1994 and 1996.

Other species - Year 1997

Species	No. of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Ursus arctos</i>	5	0	c	II	Capture	No individuals captured in 1997 (F)
<i>Lutra lutra</i>	9	15	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (FIN)
<i>Canis lupus</i>	9	8	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (FIN)
	3	1	c	IV	Capture	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (P)
	23	16	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
	1	5	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (EL)
	2	0	c	II	Capture	No individuals captured in 1997 (F)
<i>Triturus cristatus</i>	274	22957	a, b, c, d	IV	Capture (by hand?), destruction, disturbance, destruction of sites	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
	4	85+	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (DK)
	1	20	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
<i>Triturus marmoratus</i>	1	20	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
	1	17	c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Hyla arborea</i>	-	50 eggs	c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (DK)
<i>Rana iberica</i>	2	55+18 capt	a, c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (P)
<i>Bufo calamita</i>	29	15312	a, b, c, d	IV	Capture (by hand?), destruction, disturbance, destruction of sites	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
	1	10	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
	20	20	c	IV	Capture and keeping	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Bufo viridis</i>	1	10	c	IV	Capture - DNA analysis	No impact (A)
<i>Pelodytes punctatus</i>	2	30+	c	IV	Capture (netting and by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Pelobates cultripes</i>	1	10+10 capt	a, c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (P)
	26	55	c	IV	Capture (netting and by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Bombina variegata</i>	2	50	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
<i>Lacerta schreiberi</i>	3	15+7 capt	a, c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (P)
<i>Lacerta monticola</i>	2	25 + 7 capt	a, c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (P)
	1	Max 12	a, c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Gallotia atlantica</i>	1	10	a, c	IV	Capture (trapping)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia galloti</i>	4	135	c	IV	Capture (trapping)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia stehlii</i>	1	6	a	IV	Capture (trapping)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Chamaeleo chamaeleon</i>	1	200	c	IV	Capture - marking	No impact (EL)
<i>Macrovipera schweizeri</i>	1	150	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (EL)
<i>Mauremys leprosa</i>	1	40	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
<i>Margaritifera auricularia</i>	16	25-30	c	I	Capture (by hand and suction apparatus)	Positive impact or no impact (animals moved before dredging works began) (E)

Birds - Year 1998

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	10	0 (37+ nests)	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (E)
	7	0 (1 nest)	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests destroyed outside the breeding season (P)
<i>Branta leucopsis</i>	3	16	a	II	Shooting	Negligible impact. Wintering population of approx. 50 000 individuals (UK); species increasing.
	6	37	a, e	II	Shooting or destruction of eggs	Negligible impact. Migratory population > 100 000 individuals; nesting population increasing (S)
<i>Milvus milvus</i>	1	10 eggs	e	IV	Taking of eggs	Negligible impact on nesting population (E); Reinforcement of population in UK
	1	32 immature	c	IV	Capture of young in the nest	Negligible impact on nesting population (D); Reinforcement of population in UK
<i>Milvus migrans</i>	?	27	a	III	Shooting	Negligible impact on nesting population. ca 6 000 to 8 000 nesting pairs (F)
<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	18	18	a, b, c	II, V	Shooting, capture Capture of young in the nest	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 4 200 to 4 700 nesting pairs (D)
	?	1	c	VI	Capture of young in the nest	Negligible impact. 3 000 to 4 400 nesting pairs (F)
	16	110	a	I	Shooting, trapping	Study ongoing. ca. 7 000 nesting pairs (S)
<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	?	3	c	VI	Capture of young in the nest	No impact. 10 000 to 20 000 nesting pairs (F)
<i>Buteo buteo</i>	?	22	a	III	Shooting	Negligible impact. ca 50 000 nesting pairs (F)
	-	129	a	II, V	Shooting	Negligible impact. >50 000 nesting pairs (D)
<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	?	49	a	III	Shooting	Negligible impact. ca 50 000 nesting pairs (F)
<i>Apus apus</i>	5	46	b	III	Destruction of nests	Negligible impact. ca 500 000 nesting pairs (D)
<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	1	1	a	III	Shooting	No impact (S)
<i>Dryocopus martius</i>	3	3	a	III	Shooting	No impact (S)
<i>Merops apiaster</i>	25	-	d	II	Shooting	No impact (scared away); > 100 000 nesting pairs (E)
<i>Delichon urbica</i>	37	554	b	III	Destruction of nests	Negligible impact. Nests probably destroyed outside the breeding season (D)
	8	? nests	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests probably destroyed outside the breeding season (P)
	2	? nests	b	III	Destruction of nests	No impact. Nests probably destroyed outside the breeding season (E)
<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	7	58	a	VI	Falconry	No impact. 2 000 000 nesting pairs (UK)
<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>	21	3940	a	II	Shooting, trapping, netting	Impacted monitored by the competent authorities. 2 000 000 to 2 250 000 nesting pairs (E)
<i>Sturnus sp.</i>	24	*	a	II	Netting, shooting, trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. 2 000 000 to 2 250 000 nesting pairs for <i>Sturnus unicolor</i> (E)
	94	-	d	II	Shooting	
<i>Rhodopechys githaginea</i>	1	4	c	V	Netting	Negligible impact (E)
Fringillidae - <i>Serinus serinus</i> - <i>Carduelis chloris</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	6233	236074**	c	IV, V	Netting, box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
Fringillidae - <i>Loxia curvirostra</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis spinus</i>	549	Unknown ***	c	V	Netting, box-traps	Negligible impact (A)

* No limit on numbers. In 1994 the corresponding derogation concerned the capture of 25.000 *Sturnus spp.*

** Including a small number of *Fringilla coelebs* (species listed in Appendix III to the Bern Convention).

*** No number provided. In 1995 the corresponding derogation concerned less than 2218 individuals in total.

Other species - Year 1998

Species	No of permits granted	No of individuals (where known)	Action authorised (a to f)	Reason (i to v)	Method of killing and/or capture	Impact on population
<i>Galemys pyrenaicus</i>	3	12 capt.	c	IV	Capture (net)	No impact (P)
<i>Cricetus cricetus</i>	-	19	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
<i>Ursus arctos</i>	1	0	c	II	Capture	No individuals captured in 1998 (F)
<i>Lutra lutra</i>	8	3	c	IV	Capture (trap)	No impact (P)
	3	13	c	I,IV	Capture (trap)	Positive impact or no impact. The animals were captured in order to be reintroduced elsewhere(E)
	21	23	a	II	Shooting, snaring	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (FIN)
<i>Canis lupus</i>	8	8	A	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. (FIN)
	22	9	a	II	Shooting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. (E)
<i>Triturus cristatus</i>	293	4615	a,b,c,d	IV	Capture (snare, net, by hand)	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. (UK)
<i>Triturus marmoratus</i>	2	87	c	IV	Capture (by hand ?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Alytes sp.</i>	1	30	c	IV	Capture (by hand ?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Alytes cisternasii</i>	1	40	c	IV	Capture (by hand ?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Bufo calamita</i>	24	12013	a	IV	Capture, destruction of spawn/tadpoles	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Pelobates fuscus</i>	1	20	c	IV	Capture - DNA analysis	No impact (A)
<i>Lacerta schreiberi</i>	3	50+	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Lacerta monticola</i>	1	35	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Lacerta lepida</i>	1	25	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Lacerta agilis</i>	3	4 eggs, 26	c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (DK)
<i>Podarcis muralis</i>	1	15	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Gallotia atlantica</i>	3	55	c	IV	Capture (traps)	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Chamaeleo chamaeleon</i>	2	45+	c	IV	Capture (by hand)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Mauremys leprosa</i>	2	50	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Coluber hippocrepis</i>	1	Max 12	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Emys orbicularis</i>	1	10	c	IV	Capture (by hand?)	Negligible impact (F)
<i>Euphydryas aurinia</i>	1	12	a	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (P)
	1	12	c	IV	Capture, killing	Negligible impact (E)

3. KEY TO DEROGATIONS FOR STRICTLY PROTECTED SPECIES (APPENDIX II)

AUTHORISED ACTIONS - DEROGATIONS

- 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 of and internal trade in these animals

REASONS

- 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
- iv) for the purposes of research and education, of repopulation, of reintroduction and for 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

4. DEROGATIONS CONCERNING THE MEANS OF CAPTURE AND KILLING LISTED IN APPENDIX IV

Birds - Year 1997

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (approx.)	Reason	Method used	Impact on population
<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	35	74	a	Trapping	No impact. Birds moved after capture. 500 nesting pairs (DK)
<i>Buteo buteo</i>	24	38	a	Trapping	No impact. Birds moved after capture. 5 000 nesting pairs (DK)
<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	14	1202	e	Flat net	Small number **(F)
	178	430+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	General licence	<2000	b, c	Shooting/Trapping	Negligible impact (S)
<i>Larus canus</i>	General licence	<4000	b, c	Shooting/Trapping	Negligible impact (S)
<i>Larus audouinii</i>	1	12	d	Netting	Small number (E)
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	1	<MSY*	b, c	Shooting/Trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	5.782	462.685	e	Netting, vertical and horizontal nets	Small number **(F)
	487	1.191+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Turdus merula</i>	190	1.986	e	Snares	Small number **(F)
	598	3.876	e	Lines	Small number **(F)
	526	3.679+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	190	384	e	Snares	Small number **(F)
	598	13.410	e	Lines	Small number **(F)
	526	5.214+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	190	6.336	e	Snares	Small number **(F)
	598	11.536	e	Lines	Small number **(F)
	1956	<120.000	b	Snares	Small number **(E)
	536	19.369+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	190	2.598	e	Snares	Small number **(F)
	598	17.021	e	Lines	Small number **(F)
	526	7.435+	e	Netting	Small number **(I)
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	190	380	e	Snares	Small number **(F)
	598	1.622	e	Lines	Small number **(I)

* <MSY, (Maximum Sustainable Yield)

** Less than 1% of the total mortality rate of the population concerned

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (approx.)	Reason	Method used	Impact on population
<i>Sturnus sp.</i>	1	***	b	Netting	Impact monitored by competent authorities (E)
<i>Corvus corax</i>	General licence	<2000	b, c	Shooting/trapping	Impact monitored by competent authorities (S)
<i>Passer montanus</i>	General licence	<5000	b	Shooting/trapping	Negligible impact (S)
<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	-	11.000	e	Box-traps	Small number ** (B)
<i>Serinus canaria</i>	166	41	e	Box-traps	Small number ** (E)
<i>Fringillidae</i> - <i>Fringilla coelebs</i> - <i>Serinus serinus</i> - <i>Carduelis chloris</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis camabina</i>	6560	264869	d, e	Netting/box-traps	Impact monitored by competent authorities. Small number. Small number ** (E)
- <i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i> - <i>Loxia curvirostra</i> - <i>Carduelis spinus</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	549	****	e	Netting/box-traps	Negligible impact (A)
<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	5	355	b	Shooting/trapping	Small number (UK)

** Less than 1% of the total mortality rate of the population concerned.

*** Unlimited number, in 1994 the equivalent derogation concerned the capture of 25.000 *Sturnus sp* (*Sturnus vulgaris* + *Sturnus unicolor*).

**** No number of individuals provided. In 1995 the equivalent derogation concerned a total of less than 2 218 individuals.

Other species - Year 1996 (additional information)

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (approx.)	Reason	Method used	Impact on the population
<i>Gallotia galloti</i>	5	255	d	Box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia stehlini</i>	1	20	d	Box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Tarentola boettgeri</i>	2	100	d	Box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Tarentola angustimentalis</i>	2	150	d	Box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Canary Islands (E)

Other species - Year 1997

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (approx.)	Reason	Method used	Impact on the population
<i>Lepus timidus</i>	3	49	b	Night shooting	Negligible impact (UK)
<i>Lutra lutra</i>	9	15	b	Shooting, traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (FIN)
<i>Triturus cristatus</i>	274	22957	d	Traps, netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Pelodytes punctatus</i>	2	30+	d	Netting and by hand	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Pelobates cultripes</i>	26	55	d	Netting and by hand	Negligible impact (E)
<i>Bufo calamita</i>	29	15312	d	Traps, netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Gallotia atlantica</i>	1	10	d	Traps	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Gallotia galloti</i>	4	135	d	Traps	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (ES)
<i>Gallotia stehlini</i>	1	6	d	Traps	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)

Birds - Year 1998

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens	Reason	Method used	Impact on the population
<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	16	110	a	Shooting/Trapping	Study ongoing; 6 000 nesting pairs (S)
<i>Buteo buteo</i>	2	2	a	Shooting/Trapping	Negligible impact 5 000 nesting pairs (DK)
<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	?	1 000	e	Flat netting	Small number ** (F)
	256	581	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Streptopelia decucocto</i>	1	<MSY*	b, c	Shooting/Trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	?	520 181	e	Netting, vertical and horizontal nets	Small number ** (F)
	256	1 555	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Turdus merula</i>	?	1 898	e	Snares	Small number ** (F)
	?	4 324	e	Lines	Small number ** (F)
	256	3 618	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	?	281	e	Snares	Small number ** (F)
	?	7 312	e	Lines	Small number ** (F)
	256	8 878	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	?	7 769	e	Snares	Small number ** (F)
	?	14 226	e	Lines	Small number ** (F)
	?	<150 000	b	Snares	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
	256	11 765	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	?	2 594	e	Snares	Small number ** (F)
	?	19 892	e	Lines	Small number ** (F)
	256	15 046	e	Netting	Small number ** (I)
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	?	144	e	Snares	Small number ** (F)
	?	1 443	e	Lines	Small number ** (F)
<i>Sturnus sp.</i>	3	***	b	Netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (E)
<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	Unknown	10 500	e	Box-traps	Small number ** (B)
<i>Serinus canaria</i>	42	73	e	Box-traps	Small number ** (E)
<i>Fringillidae</i> - <i>Fringilla coelebs</i> - <i>Serinus serinus</i> - <i>Carduelis chloris</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i> - <i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	6234	236 147	d, e	Netting/Box-traps	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Small number (E)
- <i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i> - <i>Loxia curvirostra</i> - <i>Carduelis spinus</i> - <i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	549	****	e	Netting/Box-traps	Negligible impact (A)
<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	15	74	b	Shooting/Trapping	No impact (UK)

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Other species - Year 1998

Species	No of permits granted	No of specimens (approx.)	Reason	Method used	Impact on the population
<i>Cricetus cricetus</i>	-	19	d	Trapping, netting	Impact monitored by the competent authorities. Alsace (F)
<i>Galemys pyrenaicus</i>	3	12	d	Netting	Negligible impact (P)
<i>Lutra lutra</i>	21	23	b	Shooting, trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (FIN)
	8	3	d	Trapping	Positive impact or no impact. Reintroduction (P)
	3	13	d	Trapping	Positive impact or no impact. Reintroduction (E)
<i>Gallotia atlantica</i>	3	55	d	Trapping	Negligible impact. Canary Islands (E)
<i>Bufo calamita</i>	24	12013	d	Netting, trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)
<i>Triturus cristatus</i>	293	4615	d	Netting, trapping	Impact monitored by the competent authorities (UK)

5. KEY TO DEROGATIONS CONCERNING METHODS OF CAPTURE AND KILLING LISTED IN APPENDIX IV

POSSIBLE REASONS

- 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
- IV For the purposes of research and education, of repopulation, of re-introduction and for 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.

METHOD USED

- 1. Snares
- 2. Live animals used as decoys, which are blinded or mutilated
- 3. Tape recorders
- 4. Electrical devices capable of killing or stunning
- 5. Artificial light sources
- 6. Mirrors and other dazzling devices
- 7. Devices for illuminating targets
- 8. Sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter
- 9. Explosives
- 10. Nets
- 11. Traps
- 12. Poison and poisoned or anaesthetic bait
- 13. Gassing and smoking out
- 14. Semi-automatic or automatic weapons with a magazine capable of holding more than two rounds of ammunition
- 15. Aircraft

16. **Motor vehicles in motion**
17. **Limes**
18. **Hooks**

