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**NEW PROPOSED REPORTING FORMAT ON THE  
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**PROTOCOL CONCERNING SPECIALLY PROTECTED AREAS  
AND BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN**

**ACTION PLANS**



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Status of Implementation				Areas of Improvement						
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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
30, 31	1	Has the Party ratified or accessed to the Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean?	YES							
			YES, with reservations							
			No, but is in the process of so doing							
			NO		The ratification of the Protocol requires					
State the date of ratification and possible reservations										
	2	Does the Party have a legal framework that is suited to the sustainable management of sites of particular natural or cultural value and that comes within the present Protocol's field of application?	Yes <sup>1</sup>							
			No, but a draft text is being prepared							
			No		The adoption of such a legal framework requires					

<sup>1</sup> Please check the information available in the database and update it as appropriate

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3/1.a	3	Has the Party set up Protected Areas that come within the Protocol's geographical coverage? <sup>2</sup>	Yes							
			No		The development of marine and coastal protected areas requires					
3/1.b	4	Does the Party have a legal framework that is suited to the protection and management of endangered or threatened plant and animal species? <sup>3</sup>	Yes							
			No, but a draft text is being prepared							
			No		The adoption of such a legal framework requires					

<sup>2</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (Decision VII/28)

<sup>3</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (article 8k)

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Status of Implementation					Areas of Improvement						
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3/3	5	Does the Party have an inventory of the components of marine and coastal biodiversity?	Yes								
			No, but one is planned								
			NO		The compilation of such inventories requires						
		<i>If yes, please give further details on the quality of the inventory (exhaustive or not, updated or not, etc.)</i>	Yes, exhaustive								
			Yes, updated								
3/4	6	Does the Party have a biodiversity strategy and an action plan to protect the marine and coastal areas? <sup>4</sup>	Yes								
			No		The elaboration and adoption of the national strategy and Action Plan requires						
			No, but one is planned								

<sup>4</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (article 6)

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3/5	7	Has the Party any mechanism, instrument or tool for observing and monitoring changes in the elements of marine and coastal biodiversity? <sup>5</sup>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but some are being set up	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The availability of such an instrument requires					
6b	8	Does the Party issued regulations that ban any discharge likely to directly or indirectly harm the integrity of the Specially Protected Areas?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but some are being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The elaboration and adoption of such regulations requires					

<sup>5</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (article 7)



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6c	9	Has the Party taken the necessary steps and made arrangements to regulate the passage of boats and all stopping or mooring in the Specially Protected Areas' extension zone?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but this is being done	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption of such measures requires					
6d	10	Does the Party have regulations on the introduction of non-native or genetically modified species into the Specially Protected Areas?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but this is being done	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption of such measures requires					

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6e	11	<i>Does the Party have a regulatory framework that bans all exploration activities or activities that involves modifying the soil or subsoil of the land part, of the seabed or of its subsoil in the Specially Protected Areas?</i>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but this is being done	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption of such measures requires					
6f	12	Does the Party have a regulatory framework for scientific research in the Specially Protected Area?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No, but this is being set up	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption of such measures requires					

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6g	13	Does the Party have a regulatory framework for all activities involving taking of species which originate in specially protected areas? <sup>6</sup>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			One is being prepared	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption and the enforcement of such measures require					
6h	14	Does the Party have regulatory and administrative measures to rule out any other activity likely to have an adverse impact on the specially protected areas? <sup>7</sup>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			Being prepared	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The adoption and the enforcement of such measures require					

<sup>6</sup> Taking includes fishing, hunting, taking of animals and harvesting of plants or their destruction, as well as trade in animals, parts of animals, plants, parts of plants.

<sup>7</sup> These include activities that may harm or disturb the species or that might endanger the state of conservation of the ecosystems or species or might impair the natural or cultural characteristics of the specially protected areas.

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6i	15	Has the Party taken other steps to protect the ecological and biological processes and landscape?	Yes							
			Being implemented							
			Being elaborated							
			No		These requires					
Planning and management										
7/2.a	16	Do the Specially Protected Areas have operational management plans?	Yes, for all SPAs							
			Yes, for some SPAs		The elaboration and implementation of the management plans require					
			No							

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7/2.b	17	Is there a programme for the scientific monitoring of changes in the Protected Area's ecosystems and of the impact of human activities?	Yes							
			Being introduced							
			No		This requires					
7/2.c	18	Are the local communities involved in the process of managing the Protected Area?	Yes							
			No		The involvement of local communities requires					
7/2.c	19	Are the local inhabitants who might be affected by the establishment of the SPAs receiving assistance? <sup>8</sup>	Yes							
			No		This requires					

<sup>8</sup> Assistance to compensate the possible adverse impact the protection measures introduced in the Protected Area might have on the income of local inhabitants

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7/2.d	20	Has the Party developed funding mechanisms for managing and promoting the Protected Areas or income-generating activities that are compatible with the protection measures?	Yes							
			No		The development of such mechanisms requires					
7/2.e	21	Has the Party taken steps to regulate activities that are compatible with the aims that lay behind the creation of the Protected Areas?	Yes							
			No							

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7/2.f	22	Are the managers and other qualified staff of SPAs receiving appropriate trainings?	Yes							
			No		Developing the training activities requires					
7/3	23	Do the national contingency plans incorporate measures for responding to incidents that could cause damage or constitute a threat to the specially protected areas?	Yes							
			No		This requires					
7/4	24	For the Party's SPAs covering both land and marine areas, do the institutional arrangements allow the management of each SPA as a whole?	Yes, for all marine and coastal SPAs							
			Yes, for some marine and coastal SPAs		Such arrangements require					
			No							

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Specially Protected Areas of Mediterranean Importance										
Status of Implementation					Areas of Improvement					
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8	25	Are there SPAMIs in the areas under the jurisdiction of the Party or the High Sea zone adjacent to waters under its jurisdiction ?	Yes <sup>9</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>						
	26	Is there any change in the delimitation or legal status of the SPAMIs located in the areas under the jurisdiction of the Party?	Yes <sup>10</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>						

<sup>9</sup> Please attach an annex with information on the status and the state of each SPAMI located in the areas under the jurisdiction of you country

<sup>10</sup> Please attach an annex with detailed information on the changes and their causes



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Protection and conservation of species										
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11/2	27	<i>Has the Party drawn up a list of endangered or threatened animal and plant species and identified their distribution in the zones subject to its sovereignty?</i>	Yes <sup>11</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	This requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11/2 12/1	28	Has the Party adopted regulations on the management of animal and plant species, particularly those appearing in Annexes II and III to the Protocol that permit them to be maintained in a favourable state of conservation?	Yes <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The elaboration and adoption of these regulations require	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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11/4	29	Has the Party carried out actions as part of bilateral or multilateral cooperation or signed agreements to protect and restore the population of migrant species in the area where the Protocol is applied?	Yes							
			No		These require					
11/6	30	Does the Party have measures and plans concerning the <i>ex situ</i> reproduction, particularly in captivity, of protected fauna and the growing of protected flora?	Yes							
			No		These require					

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Cooperative measures for the protection and conservation of species										
Status of Implementation				Areas of Improvement						
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			Yes	No		Improved legal and institutional framework	Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities
	31	Has the Party granted exemptions to the bans laid down to protect the species appearing in the Annexes to the Protocol?	Yes <sup>13</sup>							
			No							
Introduction of non-native species										
13	32	<i>Has the Party taken the appropriate steps to deal with the deliberate or accidental introduction into the wild of non-native or genetically modified species and to ban those that could be harmful to ecosystems, habitats, or species in the Protocol's application zone?</i>	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		These requires					

<sup>13</sup> Please attach an annex with details of the species concerned, the reasons for the dispensation and the quantities and beneficiaries

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Environmental impact studies											
Status of Implementation				Areas of Improvement							
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17	33	Does the Party have an environmental assessment system for projects that are likely to harm the conservation of Specially Protected Areas and habitats? <sup>14</sup>	Yes								
			Being elaborated								
			No		The establishment of such a system requires						

<sup>14</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (Decision VII/28)

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MUTUAL COOPERATION										
Status of Implementation				Areas of Improvement						
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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
21	34	Is the Party actively cooperating with other Parties for the conservation of natural sites and species? <sup>15</sup>	Yes, bilateral cooperation							
			Yes, multilateral cooperation							
			No		The establishment of such cooperation requires					
22	35	Is the Party exchanging information concerning the characteristics of protected areas and species, the experience acquired and the problems encountered?	Yes							
			No		The establishment of such cooperation requires					
22	36	Is the Party collaborating with other Parties in formulating, financing and implementing programmes of mutual assistance <sup>16</sup>	Yes							
			No		The establishment of such cooperation requires					

<sup>15</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (article 5)

<sup>16</sup> Including assistance to developing countries that express a need for it with a view to implementing the Protocol

<b>Cartilaginous fish Action Plan</b>										
<b>Status of Implementation</b>				<b>Areas of Improvement</b>						
<b>Article/ Paragraph/ Section</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Status of Implementation <i>tick the MOST appropriate answer</i></b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Challenges (tick the appropriate scenarios)</b>					
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<b><i>Protection of species and critical habitats</i></b>										
	1	Has the Party granted chondrichthyans a legal status that complies with the conventions adopted to protect them from degradation and harm due to human activities?	Yes <sup>17</sup>							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The protection of these species requires					
<b><i>Fisheries management</i></b>										
	2	Has the Party developed specific programmes in the context of IPOA-Sharks?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The development of such programmes requires					

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Cartilaginous fish Action Plan										
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	3	Has the Party taken steps on finning?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Banning the finning requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Scientific research and monitoring</b>										
	4	Has the Party started programmes of scientific research on chondrichthyans?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Starting such programmes requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<b>Training, education and public awareness</b>										
	5	Has the Party developed programmes to train specialists and fisheries technicians and managers in the study and conservation of chondrichthyans?	Yes							
			No		The development of these programmes requires					
	6	Has the Party developed information material directed at local authorities, residents, teachers, tourists, commercial fishermen, recreational fishermen, divers and all other groups of people likely to be concerned?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The development of such information material requires					



Action plan on the introduction of non-indigenous species into the Mediterranean Sea											
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						Improved legal and institutional framework	Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	1	Has the Party adopted legislation to control the introduction of marine species and taken the necessary steps to express in its national laws the provisions of the pertinent international treaties? <sup>18</sup>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>							
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>							
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopting such laws requires						
	2	Does the Party have an assessment of the situation regarding the introduction of marine species? <sup>18</sup>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>							
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>							
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	The elaboration of the assessment requires						

<sup>18</sup> Similar question in the reporting format of the CBD (article 8h)

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	3	Does the Party have a mechanism to monitor and control ballast water discharged into territorial waters? <sup>19</sup>	Yes							
			No							
	4	Has the Party established an action plan to control the introduction of non-native marine species and mitigate the negative impact this has?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The establishment of such a action plan requires					
	5	Has the Party developed training and awareness raising programmes on risks, legal aspects, ballast water management, fouling?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		These requires					

<sup>19</sup> including hotspots: ports, coastal lagoons, fish farming sites, sensitive areas, etc.

Action plan for the conservation of bird species										
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	1	Does the Party provide legal protection to bird species?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Granting protection status to bird species requires					
	2	In the Party territory, are there protected areas that have been established to conserve marine birds?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			Being elaborated	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>						
	3	Has the Party developed programme(s) of research on one or several species of bird listed on the Annexes to the SPA Protocol?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Developing such programmes requires					
	4	Does the Party have an action plan for one or several species appearing in the Annexes to the SPA Protocol?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elaborating and implementing such action plans requires					

Action plan for the conservation of cetaceans in the Mediterranean Sea										
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	1	Has the Party developed an action plan for the conservation of cetaceans?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The development of the national action plan requires					
	2	Has the Party done studies and set up scientific research programmes on cetaceans?	Yes							
			No		Carrying out such studies and research programmes requires					
	3	Has the Party set up a network for monitoring the cetacean stranding? <sup>20</sup>	Yes							
			No		The establishment of the stranding monitoring network requires					

<sup>20</sup>Similar question in the reporting format to ACCOBAMS (13. Networks set up for monitoring cetacean strandings)

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	4	Has the Party created marine protected areas to protect one or several species of cetacean?	Yes							
			No		The establishment of SPAs for cetaceans requires					

Action plan for the conservation of marine vegetation in the Mediterranean Sea										
Status of Implementation					Areas of Improvement					
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	1	Has the Party adopted protection status for vegetation species and formations that are significant for the marine environment, particularly meadows?	Yes							
			No		Granting the protection status for these vegetation species and formation requires					
	2	Do the Party's regulations regarding environmental impact assessment take into consideration an impact analysis for every human activity that is undertaken on meadows and other plant formations that are significant for the marine environment?	Yes							
			No		This requires					

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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	3	Has the Party created marine protected areas to protect the most representative meadows and other plant formations that are significant for the marine environment?	Yes							
			No		This requires					
	4	Has the Party done studies and scientific research aimed at identifying and mapping the marine vegetation formations that are natural monuments <sup>21</sup> ,?	Yes							
			No		Carrying out these works requires					

<sup>21</sup> such as *Posidonia* barrier reefs, surface organogenic formations, platforms (vermetid platforms with soft algal lawns) and certain *Cystoseira* belts

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						Improved legal and institutional framework	Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities
	5	Has the Party developed programmes for the mapping of the main meadows and other plant formations that are significant for the marine environment?	Yes							
			No		Undertaking such programmes requires					
	6	Has the Party developed awareness and education actions (targeting the sea users, local populations and the general public) concerning the conservation of to marine vegetation, especially surface organogenic formations?	Yes							
			No		Carrying out such activities requires					



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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	7	Has the Party developed training programmes for specialists in the study and conservation of marine vegetation?	Yes							
			No		The development of such programmes requires					
	8	Does the Party have an action plan, drawn up on the basis of the scientific data available, for the conservation of marine vegetation?	Yes							
			Being elaborated							
			No		The development of the national plan requires					

Action plan for the conservation of the monk seal										
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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	1	Has the Party given the monk seal protection status?	Yes							
			No		Granting a protection status to the Monk Seal in my country requires					
	2	For fishing, does the Party explicitly ban the use of dynamite, the carrying of firearms on boats, and all fishing techniques that can endanger monk seals?	Yes							
			No		Adopting such measures requires					
	3	If the Party still has breeding monk seal populations, have strict measures been taken to isolate monk seals from any human activity?	Yes							
			No		This requires					

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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	4	In Party's territory, are there SPA created to conserve monk seal populations or their potential habitats?	Yes							
			No		Creating protected areas for Monk Seal requires					
			Not needed, the species is not occurring in the country							
	5	Has the Party established a list of monk seal breeding caves?	Yes							
			No		This requires					
	6	Has the Party carried out programmes for data collection on monk seal?	Yes							
			No		Carrying out such programmes requires					

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						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	7	Has the Party developed programmes for awareness raising, information and training concerning monk seal conservation?	Yes							
			No		Developing such programmes requires					
	8	Does the Party have an action plan for the conservation of the monk seal and its potential habitats?	Yes							
			No		Elaborating the action plan requires					
			Not relevant because the species is not occurring any more in the country							

Action plan for the conservation of marine turtles										
Status of Implementation				Areas of Improvement						
Article/ Paragraph/ Section	No.	Question	Status of Implementation <i>tick the MOST appropriate answer</i>		Issue	Challenges (tick the appropriate scenarios)				
						Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities	Stronger stakeholders participation
	1	Does the Party protect marine turtles by law?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Granting a protection status to the marine turtles requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	Has the Party implemented measures to reduce incidental catch in marine turtles?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopting such measures requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	3	Has the Party created centres to rescue marine turtles?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			No	<input type="checkbox"/>	This requires	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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						Improved legal and institutional framework	Improved access to knowledge and information	Improved public awareness at all levels	Better access to financial resources	Stronger technical capabilities
	4	In the Party's territory, are there SPA created to conserve marine turtle populations or their potential habitats?	Yes							
			No		Creating protected areas for marine turtles requires					
			Not needed, the species is not occurring in the country							
	5	Has the Party compiled an inventory of turtle nesting beaches?	Yes							
			No		This requires					
	6	Is the Party participating in tagging programmes?	Yes							
			No		Carrying out such programmes requires					

