

**STATUS OF LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS FOR IMPLEMENTING CITES  
(UPDATED NOVEMBER 2023)**

**PARTIES WITH LEGISLATION IN CATEGORY 1  
*Parties in bold have been added since CoP19***

Albania	Jordan	<b>United Republic of Tanzania</b>
Angola	Kuwait	United States of America
Argentina	Latvia	Uruguay
Australia	Liechtenstein	Vanuatu
Austria	Lithuania	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Bahamas	Luxembourg	Viet Nam
Barbados	Madagascar	Yemen
Belgium	Malaysia	Zimbabwe
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Malawi	
Brazil	<b>Maldives</b>	
Brunei Darussalam	Malta	
Bulgaria	Mauritania	
Cambodia	Mauritius	
Cameroon	Mexico	
Canada	Monaco	
Chile	Morocco	
China	Namibia	
Colombia	Netherlands	
Costa Rica	New Zealand	
Croatia	Nicaragua	
Cuba	Nigeria	
Cyprus	Norway	
Czech Republic	<b>Pakistan</b>	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Panama	
Denmark	Papua New Guinea	
Dominican Republic	Paraguay	
Egypt	Peru	
El Salvador	Poland	
Equatorial Guinea	Portugal	
Estonia	Qatar	
Ethiopia	Republic of Korea	
European Union	Republic of Moldova	
Fiji	Romania	
Finland	Russian Federation	
France	Saint Kitts and Nevis	
Georgia	San Marino	
Germany	Saudi Arabia	
Greece	Senegal	
Guatemala	Serbia	
Guinea-Bissau	Singapore	
Guyana	Slovakia	
Honduras	Slovenia	
Hungary	Solomon Islands	
Iceland	South Africa	
<b>India</b>	Spain	
Indonesia	Sweden	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Switzerland	
Ireland	Thailand	
Israel	Turkey	
Italy	Ukraine	
Jamaica	United Arab Emirates	
Japan	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	

**Table 1: Parties, except recently acceded Parties, with legislation in Category 2 or 3<sup>1</sup>**

	Party	Entry into force of the Convention	Cat.	Progress summary	Next steps	Last update
1	Afghanistan	28.01.1986	3	Enabling legislation (environmental) enacted; implementing regulations have been prepared and submitted to the Secretariat for analysis (in national language only)	Finalization and submission of draft revised legislation and implementing regulations	CoP18
2	<b>Algeria</b>	21.02.1984	2	<b>Comments provided by the Secretariat on comprehensive revised draft legislation. Two consultation meetings with the different sectors involved in the drafting of the law were held in March and May 2020. Draft submitted to General Secretariat of the Government for consideration in September 2018. Draft approved at a Meeting of Government on 27 April 2022, and then presented at a meeting of the Council of Ministers on 3 July 2022.</b>	<b>Transmission of the draft to Parliament (both Chambers). Adoption and promulgation. Agreement between Algeria and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>
3	Antigua and Barbuda	06.10.1997	2	Comprehensive enabling legislation adopted in 2019 and submitted to the Secretariat. Legislation placed in Category 2, pending the finalization of the implementing regulations	Finalization and submission of implementing regulations. Agreement between AG and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status	June 2020
4	Armenia	21.01.2009	2	Some CITES legislation in place and some provisions translated and submitted to the Secretariat. Additional legislation / regulations being developed. Discussions with the Secretariat are ongoing. Legislative analysis done by the Secretariat in August 2023 and comments provided to Armenia. Further submission by Armenia in Oct./Nov. 2023.	Finalisation of revised legislation / regulations by Armenia. Agreement between Armenia and the Secretariat on the legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
5	Azerbaijan	21.02.1999	2	CITES legislation enacted; English translation provided to the Secretariat. Discussions are ongoing. First formal warning issued at SC74. Second formal warning issued at SC77. Guidance requested by Azerbaijan on 14.11.2023.	Agreement between AZ and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
6	Bahrain	17.11.2012	2	Legislation adopted and published in March 2021. Legislative analysis done in July 2023. A request for clarifications was sent to Bahrain. Further submission by Bahrain in	Agreement between BH and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023

<sup>1</sup> **Keys:**

**Category:**

1: legislation that is believed generally to meet all four requirements for effective implementation of CITES

2: legislation that is believed generally to meet one to three of the four requirements for effective implementation of CITES

3: legislation that is believed generally not to meet any of the four requirements for effective implementation of CITES

**Bold:** Parties requiring attention of the Standing Committee as a priority

**Entry into force of the Convention:** date on which Party's adherence to the Convention took effect

	Party	Entry into force of the Convention	Cat.	Progress summary	Next steps	Last update
				Nov. 2023. Analysis made by the Secretariat on 17.11.2023. Pending with Bahrain.		
7	Bangladesh	18.02.1982	2	Enabling legislation enacted and submitted to the Secretariat in national language. Implementing regulations are being developed but have not yet been submitted to the Secretariat.	Finalization and submission of implementing regulations. Agreement between BD and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis.	CoP19
8	Belarus	08.11.1995	2	First formal warning issued at SC74. Enabling and implementing legislation enacted. Legislations and regulations transmitted in courtesy translations in English to the Secretariat on 10.10.2023. Legislative analysis done by Secretariat and sent 23.10.2023. Further submission by Belarus in Nov. 2023.	Agreement between BY and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
9	Belize	21.09.1981	2	<b>Bill introduced to House of Representatives in September 2020. Due to a change of government, the bill was put on hold. In November 2021, the bill was reintroduced to the Cabinet and is expected to be reintroduced to Parliament in its next session in 2022. Legislative analysis conducted and request for clarifications sent in July 2023. Clarifications were received and analysed by the Secretariat in August 2023.</b>	<b>Legislation ready to move to Category 1 when appointment of SA is finalised. This appointment might be done by September.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>
10	Benin	28.05.1984	2	SSFA with the Secretariat completed. Legislation enacted. Implementing regulations are being developed.	Finalization and submission of implementing regulations.	Dec. 2021
11	Bhutan	13.11.2002	3	Comments by the Secretariat provided on draft legislation	Finalization and submission of draft legislation.	Nov. 2019
12	Bosnia and Herzegovina	21.04.2009	2	Legislation enacted and published. Submitted in English for analysis by the Secretariat. Placed in Category 2. First formal warning issued at SC74. Engagement with the Secretariat in October 2023, for submission of updated legislation for analysis. Second formal warning issued at SC77.	Identified gaps in national legislation to be addressed by BA.	Oct. 2023
13	Botswana	12.02.1978	2	<b>CITES legislation for terrestrial wildlife including plants enacted; draft amendments to wildlife act, covering fish species under way. Secretariat commented in January 2019. Forestry and Range Resources Bill submitted to the Secretariat for review in October 2021. The Secretariat organized a meeting with the authorities to address some</b>	<b>Submission and adoption by Parliament. Agreement by BW and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>

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				<b>concerns in December 2021. Amendments adopted by Parliament. Legislative analysis done in August 2023 and sent to Botswana. Awaiting publication.</b>		
14	Burkina Faso	11.01.1990	2	Commitment at ministerial level to prepare draft legislation in the form of a decree; formal request for assistance.	Preparation of draft legislation.	March 2022
15	Burundi	06.11.1988	2	CITES enabling legislation enacted in 2011 and submitted to the Secretariat in 2016. Certain gaps identified by the Secretariat need to be addressed. A consultant was hired in Burundi to work on the legislation. New draft legislation prepared and comments provided by the Secretariat in Nov. 2021. Finalized draft legislation submitted to the Council of Ministers for further analysis.	Endorsement draft legislation from the Council of Ministers. Adoption by National Assembly and Senate.  Estimated date for enactment is by EOY 2023.	Aug. 2023
16	Cabo Verde	08.11.2005	3	Strong commitment to prepared legislation. Legislative plan in place but progress is slow.	Preparation of draft legislation; drafting assistance needed	CoP18
17	Central African Republic	25.11.1980	3	Draft legislation prepared and comments provided by the Secretariat. Comments sent to CAR in May 2022.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation.	April 2022
18	Chad	03.05.1989	2	Draft amendment law and specific CITES regulation to be prepared.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation; drafting assistance possibly needed.	CoP18
19	Comoros	21.02.1995	3	<b>SSFA with the Secretariat completed. Observations on draft legislation provided by the Secretariat. Delays in the validation of the draft due to Covid-19. No answer to notification or email on NLP in July 2023. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.</b>	<b>Finalization and submission of the legislation to the Secretariat for analysis.</b>	<b>Jan. 2021</b>
20	Congo	01.05.1983	2	<b>Identified as priority Party at SC69. Observations on draft legislation provided by the Secretariat in early 2019. No answer to notification or email on NLP in July 2023. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.</b>	<b>Finalization and submission of the legislation to the Secretariat for analysis.</b>	<b>Feb. 2022</b>
21	Côte d'Ivoire	19.02.1995	3	SSFA with the CITES Secretariat completed. Comments by the Secretariat provided on revised draft law and implementing regulations. Draft legislation submitted to the Secretary general of the government.	Finalization and submission of the legislation to the Secretariat for analysis.	Dec. 2021

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22	Djibouti	07.05.1992	3	Subject to a recommendation to suspend all commercial trade since 30 April 2004. Letter sent by the Secretariat to the Minister in March 2019. No response and no progress. Update on national legislation received in July 2023. Analysis conducted by the Secretariat; comments and request for clarifications sent to Djibouti in August 2023.	Preparation of draft legislation. Request for assistance from the Secretariat.	July 2023
23	Dominica	02.11.1995	3	Draft legislation prepared; existing and draft legislation reviewed by DM and Secretariat; formal request for assistance. Second formal warning issued at SC71. Revised draft legislation April 2022. No report since. No answer to notification or email on NLP in July 2023. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.	Agreement between DM and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	April 2022
24	Ecuador	01.07.1975	2	Identified as priority Party by SC67. Legislation enacted but gaps have been identified by the Secretariat and need to be addressed. No answer to notification or emails on NLP in summer 2023. Full report on legislative framework and updated legislative calendar submitted at SC77.	Finalization of implementing legislation. Agreement between Ecuador and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including for placement in Category 1.	Nov. 2023
25	Eritrea	22.01.1995	2	SSFA with UNEP completed. Draft legislation prepared with comments by the Secretariat and translated into local languages and submitted to Ministry for approval.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation; agreement between Eritrea and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis.	Dec. 2021
26	Eswatini	27.05.1997	3	Comprehensive draft and revised draft legislation finalized and submitted.	Adoption and enactment of legislation.	May 2019
27	Gabon	14.05.1989	2	Commitment to draft legislation; comments provided by the Secretariat on draft legislation in January 2017. Revised draft submitted to the Secretariat in July 2018. Observations on revised draft prepared by the Secretariat in 2019. Last update CoP19.	Finalization and submission of revised legislation.	CoP19
28	The Gambia	24.11.1977	2	SSFA with the UNEP completed. Draft Bill finalized and validated by all CITES Stakeholders	Cabinet approval and submission of legislation.	January 2020
29	Ghana	12.02.1976	3	Bill has been through second reading in Parliament.	Enactment, and submission to the Secretariat for analysis. Agreement between GH and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including the need for implementing legislation.	CoP18

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30	Grenada	28.11.1999	3	Draft legislation prepared; existing and draft legislation reviewed by GD and Secretariat; formal request for assistance. Second formal warning at SC71 but no response. Legislative analysis conducted by the Secretariat and request for clarifications sent in July 2023.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation; drafting assistance needed.	July 2023
31	Guinea	20.12.1981	2	<b>Subject to a recommendation to suspend trade since 16 May 2013. Several decrees adopted in 2019 and 2020. Observations by the Secretariat provided in July 2020. Agreement between Guinea and the Secretariat on capacity-building. Objective to replace various instruments by one single decree on international trade in wild fauna and flora to facilitate enforcement. Consultant recruited under CAP to draft this decree and share it with the Secretariat.</b>	<b>Finalization and submission of new CITES decree for legislative analysis by the Secretariat.</b> <b>Elaboration of legislation compliant with CITES and objective to have the decree signed by mid-2024.</b>	Oct. 2023
32	Iraq	06.05.2014	3	National committee for the preparation of national CITES legislation has been established. Observations on draft legislation provided by the Secretariat. Participated in online meeting in July 2020.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation.	March 2021
33	Kazakhstan	19.04.2000	2	<b>Enabling and implementing legislation enacted and submitted in English in July 2016. KZ is preparing revised legislation to address gaps identified by the Secretariat. Further comments provided by the Secretariat in 2022. KZ submitted clarifications on amendments being prepared to the Secretariat in July 2023. Legislative analysis conducted by the Secretariat in August 2023. Further information provided in November 2023.</b>	<b>Revisions of existing legislation. Agreement between KZ and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	Nov. 2023
34	Kenya	13.03.1979	2	<b>Wildlife legislation enacted, but amendments underway to address concerns raised by the Secretariat in 2021/2022. No answer to notification or email on NLP in July 2023. First formal warning issued by SC77. Update on national legislation submitted on 3.11.2023.</b>	<b>Gazetting and submission revised implementing regulations. Agreement between KE and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	Nov. 2023
35	Kyrgyzstan	02.09.2007	2	CITES legislation enacted and submitted to the Secretariat for analysis. KG revising legislation to address identified gaps. First formal	Finalization and submission of revised legislation. Agreement between KG and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis,	Oct. 2023

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				warning issued at SC74. Request for assistance with legislation received 4 October 2023. Initial engagement. Kyrgyzstan to provide current legislative instruments for analysis by the Secretariat. Further information on national legislation submitted on 31.10.2023.	including possible Category 1 status.	
36	Lao People's Democratic Republic	30.05.2004	2	<b>Some legislation in place but significant gaps. Comprehensive legislative analysis completed. Identified as priority Party by SC69. Assistance available. Comments on draft CITES Decree provided by the Secretariat. Wildlife Law adopted and English translation provided to the Secretariat in Nov. 2023. Aquatic Animals and Fisheries Law expected to be promulgated in September 2023. Revised draft CITES decree submitted to the Secretariat for comments. Lao PDR needs to incorporate comments made by the Secretariat in October 2023.</b>	<b>Finalization of CITES implementing legislation and amend provisions of existing national laws.</b>	<b>Nov. 2023</b>
37	Lebanon	26.05.2013	3	Consultations between LB and the Secretariat are in their early stages. First formal warning issued at SC74. Second formal warning issued at SC77.	Review by LB and Secretariat of existing CITES-related legislation and agreement on legislative analysis.	CoP17
38	Lesotho	30.12.2003	3	Enabling legislation (environmental) enacted. Comments provided by the Secretariat on revised draft implementing legislation. SSFA with UNEP completed.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation.	Sep. 2019
39	Liberia	09.06.1981	2	<b>Subject to a recommendation to suspend commercial trade since 15 March 2016. New wildlife legislation enacted by Parliament and submitted to the Secretariat. A revised draft amendment to the National Wildlife Conservation and Protected Area Management Law has been prepared and submitted to the Secretariat. Comments on the revised draft provided by the Secretariat in Oct. 2021. A revised draft (Nov. 2021) was submitted to the Secretariat in August 2023. The Secretariat reviewed the draft and provided additional guidance. Draft currently pending with the Liberian Legislature. Legislation placed in Category 2 at SC77.</b>	<b>Submission and adoption of the Amendments by the Liberian Parliament. Agreement between LR and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis including possible Category 1 status. The draft contains the minimum requirements for inclusion in Category 1.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>
40	Libya	28.04.2003	3	Draft legislation prepared but no translation into a working language	Upon receipt of English translation, LY and Secretariat	May 2022

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				provided to Secretariat. Second formal warning at SC71. Exchanges about an English version in 2022. No reports received. <b>No answer to notification on NLP in July 2023. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.</b>	should review draft and agree on any revisions needed to finalize it for submission.	
41	Mali	16.10.1994	2	Legislation provided to the Secretariat for analysis. Draft analysis indicates some gaps in legislation to be addressed.	Agreement between Mali and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	CoP18
42	Mongolia	04.04.1996	2	First formal warning sent after SC69. Comments provided by the Secretariat on draft revision of legislation in August 2019. Update on national legislation received on 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov. 2023.	Finalization of draft and submission for enactment. Adoption and submission to the Secretariat for analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
43	Montenegro	03.06.2006	2	CITES enabling legislation enacted in 2016. First formal warning issued at SC74. Rulebook on Trade in protected wild species of plants, animals, and fungi enacted in 2017. Legislative analysis sent to Montenegro in August 2023.	Agreement between ME and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Aug. 2023
44	Mozambique	23.06.1981	2	<b>CITES-specific legislation enacted. A comprehensive implementing regulation (Decree 34/2016) has been adopted and submitted to the Secretariat. Regulations translated in English in August 2023 and transmitted to the Secretariat for legislative analysis. Comments and clarifications sent to Mozambique on 29 August 2023.</b>	<b>Comments and clarifications from the Secretariat to be reviewed by Mozambique. Full translation of Decree 34/2016 and related Regulations to be provided to the Secretariat. Agreement between Mozambique and the Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>
45	Myanmar	11.09.1997	2	Revised CITES legislation enacted in May 2018. Implementing rules and regulations have been submitted for adoption by the Government.	Finalization, adoption and submission of implementing rules; agreement between MM and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis	July 2020
46	Nepal	16.09.1975	2	Legislation enacted in April 2017 and in force; recently submitted to the Secretariat for analysis. Implementing regulations have been promulgated in 2019.	Submission of English translation of the implementing regulations to the Secretariat for analysis; agreement between Nepal and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Cat. 1 status.	CoP19
47	Niger	07.12.1975	3	Comprehensive legislation adopted by Parliament and submitted to the Secretariat.	Implementing regulations to be finalized and submitted to the Secretariat for revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	CoP19

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48	North Macedonia	02.10.2000	2	CITES legislation enacted and submitted in English to the Secretariat who provided its observations in August 2016. Support available. Formal warning issued at SC70. Second formal warning issued at SC77.	Agreement between MK and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	July 2021
49	Oman	17.06.2008	3	Second formal warning at SC71. Draft legislation received in Feb. 2020. Observations provided by the Secretariat in March 2020. Participated in online meeting in July 2020. Draft legislation submitted to the Secretariat. Update on legislation provided in August 2023: final draft of national legislation was reviewed and approved by the national legal authority and is in the process of being approved to be adopted. Oman will provide the timeline for the remaining process when available. However, this update is a copy-paste of the update sent on 16.2.2020. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.	Adoption of the law at the national level and transmission to the Secretariat for legislative analysis. Oman to provide calendar.	Nov. 2023
50	Palau	15.07.2004	3	Secretariat provided comments on comprehensive draft legislation in December 2014. Legislative analysis conducted by the Secretariat on updated draft legislation and comments provided in July 2023.	Endorsement of the updated draft legislation by the Minister and issuance of the final draft legislation (Est. date: September 2023). Enactment and adoption of the legislation.	Aug. 2023
51	Philippines	16.11.1981	2	CITES enabling and implementing legislation enacted. Observations on the draft legislation provided in Feb. 2020. Submission of a revised timetable to finalize the Fisheries Administrative Order (FAO) on Introduction from the Sea to the Secretariat in August 2023: New estimated date of publication of the FAO: May 2024.	Agreement between PH and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Aug. 2023
52	Rwanda	18.01.1981	2	<b>Final draft law and implementing regulations have been approved by the Cabinet of Ministers and have been reviewed by the parliamentary Commission. The Law governing biological diversity has been approved and published in November 2021. Legislative analysis conducted by the Secretariat in August 2023. Comments and request for clarifications sent to Rwanda.</b>	<b>Comments to be provided by the Secretariat. Agreement between RW and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</b>	<b>August 2023</b>

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53	Saint Lucia	15.03.1983	2	Comments by the Secretariat provided on draft legislation. Clarifications to be provided by LC.	Finalization and submission of draft implementing legislation. Agreement between LC and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Oct. 2019
54	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	28.02.1989	2	CITES legislation enacted and submitted to the Secretariat for analysis. Observations provided by the Secretariat	Agreement between VC and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status	Feb. 2020
55	Samoa	07.02.2005	3	Draft legislation prepared but needed revision; assistance provided by NZ. Revised draft legislation prepared and submitted for enactment.	Submission of legislation. Agreement between LC and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Oct. 2021
56	Sao Tome and Principe	07.11.2001	3	Commitment to prepare draft legislation. No recent information on status. Second formal warning at SC71. Under suspension of all commercial trade since 7 May 2022.	Preparation of draft legislation; drafting assistance needed.	CoP17
57	Seychelles	09.05.1977	2	Draft enabling legislation adopted. Implementing legislation under preparation.	Finalization of implementing regulations.	Nov. 2021
58	Sierra Leone	26.01.1995	3	Wildlife Policy and Forest Policy adopted; amendments to related laws and regulations underway. Last update in Feb. 2017. Formal warning at SC74. Recommendation to suspend trade at SC77.	Finalization legislation and transmission to the Secretariat for legislative analysis.	Nov. 2023
59	<b>Somalia</b>	<b>02.03.1986</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Subject to a recommendation to suspend all commercial trade since 30 July 2004. Observations provided on revised draft legislation in Nov. 2019. No report since.</b>	<b>Finalization and submission of draft legislation for revised legislative analysis by the Secretariat.</b>	<b>CoP18</b>
60	Sri Lanka	02.08.1979	3	Draft and comprehensive revised draft legislation prepared and submitted for enactment. Implementing regulation underway. Legislative analysis conducted in August 2023. Request update on adoption of CITES Regulations sent on 1 August 2023. Final draft regulations transmitted to the Secretariat on 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov. 2023.	Finalization of implementing regulations and agreement between LK and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
61	Sudan	24.01.1983	2	Draft revised legislation submitted to parliament several years ago. Sudan has submitted draft legislation, but some concerns highlighted by the Secretariat still need to be addressed. Formal warning at SC70. Engagement with the Secretariat in 2022 and 2023, but no formal submission since July 2020.	Review by SD and Secretariat and possible revision/updating of revised legislation to facilitate its enactment	July 2020
62	Suriname	15.02.1981	2	CITES legislation enacted and submitted to the Secretariat for	Revised legislation to be developed to address	June 2022

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				analysis – discussions on how to address remaining gaps are ongoing.	identified gaps.	
63	Syrian Arab Republic	29.07.2003	3	Draft legislation prepared and submitted to the Ministry of Justice. Formal request for assistance. Participated in online meeting in July 2020	Review/revision of draft legislation by SY and Secretariat; finalization and submission of draft legislation	Dec. 2021
64	Togo	21.01.1979	2	SSFA in place with the CITES Secretariat. Observations on draft bill provided by the Secretariat. Draft legislation submitted to the Secretariat.	Comments to be provided by the Secretariat. Finalization and submission of draft legislation	Sep. 2021
65	Trinidad and Tobago	18.04.1984	2	Comprehensive draft legislation prepared and reviewed by Secretariat; commitment at Ministerial level to complete the legislative process; formal request for assistance.	Finalization and submission of draft legislation.	March 2022
66	Tunisia	01.07.1975	2	Comprehensive revised draft and revised draft legislation prepared; text reviewed by TN and Secretariat. First formal warning issued at SC69. Draft decree submitted and comments provided by the Secretariat in April 2022. Analysis done 24 August 2023. Draft legislation contains most mandatory requirements for Category 1. Draft legislation to submitted to the Assembly of people's representatives for adoption.	Adoption of the law by the Assembly. Agreement between TN and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	<a href="#">Aug. 2023</a>
67	Uganda	16.10.1991	3	<b>Enabling legislation adopted by the Parliament in late 2019. Implementing regulations drafted and observations provided by the Secretariat. Revised draft of regulations submitted, and comments provided by the Secretariat in Feb. 2022. Identified as priority Party by SC77.</b>	<b>Comments to be provided by the Secretariat. Finalization of implementing regulations, followed by agreement between UG and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis.</b>	Dec. 2021
68	Uzbekistan	08.10.1997	2	<b>Identified as priority Party by SC69. Draft revised legislation prepared and additional observations by the Secretariat provided in July 2018. Meeting organized with the new CITES Focal Point in August 2021 to address some gaps in the draft legislation. Draft legislation further modified in 2021/2022 after political reforms conducted in Uzbekistan. Legislative analysis conducted in August 2023 by the Secretariat and comments sent.</b>	<b>Finalization and submission of revised legislation to CITES Secretariat for further legislative analysis.</b>	<b>Aug. 2023</b>
69	Zambia	22.02.1981	2	CITES Statutory Instrument enacted. Observations on draft implementing rules provided by	Enactment of the new Wildlife Bill by first quarter of 2024. Then, revision of the CITES	Aug. 2023

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				Secretariat in January 2018. First formal warning issued at SC74. New Wildlife Bill being drafted. CITES Statutory Instrument will be revised after adoption of the redrafted Wildlife Bill. Legislative analysis of both instruments conducted by the Secretariat in August 2023.	Statutory Instrument. Finalization and submission of finals draft legislations for legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	

**Table 2: Recently acceded Parties<sup>2</sup>**

	Party	Entry into force	Cat.	Progress summary	Next steps/needs	Last update
1	Andorra	4 January 2022	P	National legislation received in Catalan in July 2023 and in English in October 2023. Legislative analysis done by the Secretariat and sent on 23 October 2023. Clarifications received from Andorra on 13 November 2023. Analysis done by the Secretariat on 17 Nov. 2023.	Legislation ready to move to Category 1.	Nov. 2023
2	Tajikistan	30.03.2016	P	Consultations between TJ and Secretariat are in early stages. Formal request for assistance. Request for update on national legislation sent 24 July 2023.	Review of existing CITES-related legislation and preparation of draft to fill possible gaps.	May 2018
3	Tonga	20.10.2016	P	Draft CITES-related legislation (regulations) prepared with input from the CITES Secretariat and submitted to the Ministry of the Environment for approval before being submitted to the Minister's office. Assistance provided by NZ. Request for update on national legislation sent 17 July 2023.	Finalization of regulations. Adoption, gazetting and submission to the CITES Secretariat for analysis.	Jan. 2022

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<sup>2</sup> P: Parties acceding less than eight years ago - pending submission of legislation to the Secretariat

**Table 3: Dependent territories<sup>3</sup>**

Dependent territory	Cat.	Dep.	Progress summary	Next steps/needs	Last update
American Samoa	1	US			
Anguilla	1	GB			
Aruba	1	NL			
Bailiwick of Guernsey	1	GB			
Bailiwick of Jersey	1	GB			
Bermuda	1	GB			
British Indian Ocean Territory	1	GB			
British Virgin Islands	1	GB			
Caribbean Netherlands	1	NL			
Cayman Islands (CIG)	1	GB			
Curacao	1	NL			
French Guiana	1	FR			
French Polynesia	1	FR			
Gibraltar	1	GB			
Greenland	2	DK	Comprehensive CITES legislation enacted; review by Greenland and Secretariat identified important gaps; comments by the Secretariat provided on draft revised legislation	Agreement by Greenland and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including Category 1 status	March 2020
Guadeloupe	1	FR			
Guam	1	US			
Hong Kong SAR	1	CN			
Isle of Man	1	GB			
Macao SAR	2	CN	Comprehensive legislation and implementing regulation adopted and entered into force in September 2017. Submitted to the Secretariat in Oct. 2017. Analysis conducted 12 October 2023. Email sent to China Macao SAR MA requesting clarifications 13 October 2023. Clarifications provided on 2 Nov. 2023.	Agreement between Macao SAR and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.	Nov. 2023
Martinique	1	FR			CoP17
Montserrat	2	GB	Amended Trade in Endangered Species Act entered into force on 31 January 2022. Work underway to amend the Act's Schedule of CITES-listed species so that it reflects the updated Appendices. The Act provides for amendment of its Schedule by Order of the Governor. New update requested 17.11.2023.	Formal approval of the designation of MA and SA and update of the schedule of species. Commencement of legislation and agreement on revised legislative analysis, including Category 1 status.	Oct. 2023
New Caledonia	1	FR			July 2019
Northern Mariana Islands	1	US			CoP17

<sup>3</sup> Dep.:

two-letter ISO code of the State of which the territory is a dependency

Dependent territory	Cat.	Dep.	Progress summary	Next steps/needs	Last update
Pitcairn Islands	1	GB			CoP17
Puerto Rico	1	US			CoP17
Réunion	1	FR			CoP17
Saint Helena, Ascension Island and Tristan da Cunha	2	GB	<p>St Helena's Ordinance entered into force in February 2016 and achieved Category 1 status, subject to MA and SA designation. MA appointed in 2017. SA designation is in progress. New update requested 17.11.2023.</p> <p>Legislation of Tristan da Cunha and Legislation of Ascension Island have been placed in Category 1.</p>	<p>For St Helena, establishment of the Scientific Authority under the provisions of the Ordinance. Agreement that the legislation can be placed in Category 1 as soon as the SA is operational.</p>	Oct. 2023
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	1	FR			
Sint Maarten	1	NL			
Virgin Islands of the United States	1	US			
Wallis and Futuna Islands	2	FR	<p>CITES legislation enacted. No update since July 2019. Request for update on national legislation sent 9.10.2023. Contact taken with France during SC77.</p>	<p>Agreement between FR and Secretariat on revised legislative analysis, including possible Category 1 status.</p>	Nov. 2023