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Date:

Monitoring Record Number.....(Official use only)

## Monitoring/Observation of biological control agents - Leaf miner

**Biocontrol Agent:** 

#### **Target Weed:**

# 1. Details of person conducting monitoring (NB)

Name	
Address	
Telephone	Fax Number:
Organisation	E-mail Address:

## 2. Location of site

If a previously registered release site, release	record number.	
Province		
District/Farm Name		
Nearest Town	14°Square Number	
Latitude (°S)	Longitude (°E)	
Actual Position (give description)		

### 3. Habitat of site (tick appropriate boxes)

Natural vegetation types	Disturbance/land use	Landform/moisture regime	Aspect
Forest	Road/rail side	Watercourse	Direction- N
Savanna	Around habitation	Wetland	S
Grassland	Plantation	Dryland/well drained	E
Karoo	Arable/Ploughed	Kloof/ravine	W
Fynbos	Pastoral	Rocky site	Steep
Transformed	Wasteland	Deep sand	Gentle incline

### 4. Host plant (weed) abundance (circle one appropriate code e.g. (F))

<b>P</b> = Present (abundance uncertain)	<b>R</b> = Rare (one sighting of one or a few plants)
<b>O</b> = Occasional (a few sightings of one or a few plants)	<b>F</b> = Frequent (many sightings of single plants of small
	groups)
A = Abundant (many sightings of clumps or stands)	V = Very abundant (forming extensive stands)

## 5. Insect Presence (circle one code in each line e.g. (Y))

Signs of insect feeding:	Y = Yes		<b>N</b> = No		
If yes, are there visible mines?	Y = Yes			<b>N</b> = No	
What do the mines look like	Herringbone		Blotches	Lines	other
Life stages seen:	E = Egg batches		N = Nymphs	A = Adults	
Are they being attacked: (e.g. by	<b>N</b> = No		Som = Some	Sev = Severe pre	edation
ants):			predation		
If yes, by what?					
Insect Abundance	P = Present (abundance uncertain)Abu = Abundant (large numbers immediately apparent)		Com = Common (easily located in large numbers)	<b>Sca</b> = Scarce (sparse, difficult to find)	
Monitoring effort					

#### **6. Damage to weed** (circle one appropriate code e.g. **Tr**)

Tr = Trivial (infrequent signs of damage)	Mod = Moderate (Frequent signs of damage, plants unstressed)
<b>Con</b> = Considerable (signs of stress or some	Ext = Extensive (host obviously stressed or extensively
deformation)	deformed)
Tot = Total (host plants dead, total collapse of weed population)	

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