

## МІНІСТЭРСТВА ПРЫРОДНЫХ РЭСУРСАЎ І АХОВЫ НАВАКОЛЬНАГА АСЯРОДДЗЯ РЭСПУБЛІКІ БЕЛАРУСЬ

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## МИНИСТЕРСТВО ПРИРОДНЫХ РЕСУРСОВ И ОХРАНЫ ОКРУЖАЮЩЕЙ СРЕДЫ РЕСПУБЛИКИ БЕЛАРУСЬ

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Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context

Referring to the letter of the Implementation Committee under the Espoo Convention of 17 December 2013 seeking Belarus' view regarding the transboundary EIA procedure for the planned construction of nuclear reactors 3 and 4 at the Khmelnytskyi NPP in Ukraine, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection of the Republic of Belarus has the honour to inform of the following.

In accordance with Article 3 of the Espoo Convention Ukraine notified Belarus about the planned construction of the nuclear reactors 3 and 4 at the Khmelnytskyi NPP and provided information on the proposed activity and its possible significant adverse transboundary impact.

Belarus does not hold information that the final decision on the proposed activity has been taken by Ukraine and, consequently, we consider the transboundary EIA procedure for the planned construction of nuclear reactors 3 and 4 at the Khmelnytskyi NPP uncompleted.

Therefore, today Belarus has no grounds to consider that Ukraine improperly implements the Espoo Convention for this particular proposed activity.

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