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Excellency,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Kiyv, 2003).

At its thirty-second session, held in Geneva from 9 to 11 December 2014, the Committee continued its consideration of the information it had gathered further to information provided by a Hungarian political party concerning the planned reopening of a goldmine in Muzhiyevo, Ukraine, close to the border with Hungary (EIA/IC/INFO/13). The Committee reviewed the information received from Ukraine on 19 November 2014.

After an analysis of all the available information, the Committee agreed that the responses were sufficient at present and decided that there was no need to further pursue its information gathering.

I am now writing to inform you of the above decision of the Committee and also to request Ukraine's agreement that the correspondence between the Committee and Ukraine be placed on the Convention's website, as an illustration of the Committee's approach to information gathering and of a proper and sufficient response from a Party to address the issue. You are kindly invited to provide your answer to the secretariat at your earliest convenience, preferably not later than **2 March 2015**.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration,

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