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Dear Ms. Plesco.

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

At its twentieth session, held in Geneva from 11 to 13 January 2011, the Committee considered your information received on 10 January 2011 in response to the Committee's letter seeking clarification of the transboundary environmental impact assessment procedure applied to the activities at Giurgiulesti Port.

The Committee decided not to begin a Committee initiative as there was insufficient evidence of non-compliance. The Committee considered, among other issues, that the railway extension for the port was not subject to the Convention.

The Committee asked that I to write to you to inform you of the Committee's deliberations.

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The Committee also decided to ask you whether the secretariat might publish the exchange of communications on this issue on the Convention's website. Similar correspondence between the Committee and Parties has already been placed at

http://www.unece.org/env/eia/implementation/implementation_committee_letters.htm, as illustration of the Committee's approach to a specific compliance issue and of a proper and sufficient response from a Party to address the issue.

If there is no reply to this question by 30 April 2011, the Committee would understand that the Government of the Republic of Moldova agrees to publication.

Yours sincerely,

Matthias Sauer

Chair, Implementation Committee,
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