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Dear Mr. Salburg , Ms. Dulevičienė,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning decision-making on establishment of a landfill in Kazokiskes (Ref. ACCC/C/2006/16)

On 16 March 2006, the secretariat of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) received the above communication submitted by you on behalf of the Association "Kazokiskes Community" and addressed to the Compliance Committee of the Convention regarding compliance by Lithuania with certain provisions of the Convention.

The communication has been registered under the symbol ACCC/C/2006/16, which you are invited to cite in future correspondence on the matter.

The Committee, having considered the communication, has on a preliminary basis determined it to be admissible in accordance with paragraph 20 of the annex to decision I/7. A copy of the preliminary determination on admissibility is attached. Please note, however, that the Committee has not reached any conclusions with respect to the compliance issues referred to in the communication.

In order to facilitate further consideration of the communication, the Committee has requested the secretariat to invite you to submit further details related to some of the

allegations made in the communication. The Committee, in particular, would like to request the following:

- (a) Please provide the Committee with a copy of the power of attorney or any other form of authorization for Mr. Salburs and Ms. Duleviciene to represent the communicant:
- (b) Please specify the objectives of the Association Kazokiskes Community, as regulated by its by-laws;
- (c) Please provide details with regard to any related domestic appeal procedures (to administrative or judicial bodies) initiated by the communicant. In this regard, please indicate whether these were undertaken on behalf of the Association or on behalf of its individual members in their personal capacity. Please also provide details on the outcomes of any such appeals;
- (d) Please indicate, whether, to the communicant's knowledge, an evaluation was made in the course of the decision-making of any alternative options, and if so, please provide details on the process.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Wates

Secretary

Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Cc: Ms. Sigita Grinevice, Lithuanian national Focal Point for the Aarhus Convention

Incl. Provisional determination on admissibility
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