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Dear Ms Marshall,

Displacement of Central Edinburgh Traffic – ref ACCC/C/2010/53 Indication of Specific Provisions of Aarhus Convention Breached:

In view of the fact that the text of the Aarhus Convention is written in legal terms with a generality that necessarily has to address a very wide variety of situations, it is extremely difficult for a non legal group like ourselves, particularly at such short notice, to identify the specific provisions that apply to our situation.

However, in order to assist the meeting we suggest that the breaches appear to fall within the following provisions:

Article 1	Objectives
Article 3	General Provisions Paras 1, 2, 3, 4, 8.
Article 4	Access to Environmental Information Paras 1, 2. 3.
Article 5	Collection and Dissemination of Environmental Information Paras 1, 3, 5. 6.
Article 6	Public Participation in Decisions on Specific Activities Paras 1, 4, 6, 7.
Article 7	Public Participation Concerning Plans, Programmes and Policies Relating to the Environment
Article 9	Access to Justice Paras 2, 3, 4, 5.

It would be too big a task in the short time given, to attempt to link these provisions to all the elements of our complaint laid out in our detailed application of 26th November last year and in subsequent correspondence, but I hope that the foregoing will be sufficient for your purpose.

However, your request has raised some concern regarding the nature and purpose of the forthcoming meeting, which, we understood, was to seek clarification from us on the details of our complaint. We are certainly not qualified to enter into legal debate on the applicability of specific provisions expressed in such broad terms.

Dr Lloyd and I look forward to meeting the Compliance Committee on 15th December.

Yours Sincerely,

Alistair MacIntosh

for the Moray Feu Traffic Subcommittee