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Dear Ms. Iskoyan, Dear Mr. Savzyan,

**Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Armenia with provisions of the Convention in relation to the standing of NGOs in environmental matters (ACCC/C/2011/62)**

On behalf of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee, I would like to thank the participants in the discussion of the above referenced communication at the thirty-eighth meeting of the Compliance Committee (Geneva, 25-28 September 2012).

The report of the meeting, including information concerning the discussion on the communication at issue, will be shortly accessible at the following link <http://www.unece.org/env/pp/ccMeetings.htm>.

You may recall that during the discussion of the communication, the Committee requested you to submit some additional information, as detailed in the questions annexed to the present letter. You are invited to reply to the questions as soon as you can, but no later than **29 October 2012**. In providing your responses, please address the questions of the Committee in a brief and explicit manner and provide the text of the relevant supporting documents in English.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

Annex  
Questions with regard to communication ACCC/C/2011/62

**To the Party concerned**

Please provide a copy of the statement you made during the discussion with the Committee on 25 September 2012.

**To the communicant**

Please provide a copy of the statement you made during the discussion with the Committee on 25 September 2012.

Please elaborate on your arguments that the legal framework in Armenia, including for example the law on NGOs, is not clear.

During the discussion with the Committee (25 September 2012), both you and the communicant referred to a document of the Constitutional Court suggesting that the Court of Cassation in its decision of 1 April 2011 had interpreted incorrectly the decision of the Constitutional Court of 7 September 2010. Please provide an English translation of that document to the Committee.