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Bernd Stümer,
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Sweden

Dear Ms. Oskarsson,
Dear Mr. Stümer,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Sweden with provisions of the Convention in relation to permits issued for wind turbines and the applicable legislation in general (ACCC/C/2013/81)

I am writing to inform you that at its forty-ninth meeting (Geneva, 30 June - 3 July 2015), the Committee continued its deliberations in closed session and agreed to continue those deliberations at its fiftieth meeting, with a view to completing its draft findings and, as appropriate, recommendations, which would then be sent for comment to the Party concerned and the communicant. The Committee decided to consider Mr. Bernd Stümer the sole communicant in the case, since the original communication was submitted only in his name, while the organisation FLIS, which Mr. Stümer subsequently stated that he represented, might act as an observer in the case if it wished to do so.

Also at its forty-ninth meeting, the Committee agreed to put the following requests to the parties for their response by **1 September 2015** if possible, or bearing in mind the holiday period, as soon as feasible thereafter:

Requests to the Party concerned:

- To translate the two decisions by the county board (Länsstyrelsen Södermanlands län) dated 4 January 2012 and 23 March 2012 regarding the building permit;
- To provide a full list of the persons who appealed the decision by the Strängnäs municipality to grant the building permit for the wind turbines in question;
- To inform the Committee whether the communicant was indeed one of the persons who appealed the building permit in his own name.

Request to the communicant:

- To clarify whether he appealed the building permit in his own name or only as a representative of another individual.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you have any questions regarding the above.

Yours sincerely,



Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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