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8 June 2017

Dear Mr. Šíp,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the Czech Republic in connection with public participation and access to justice in regard to nuclear facilities (ACCC/C/2014/106)

In the course of preparing its draft findings on communication ACCC/C/2014/106, the Committee has identified a number of questions on which it would be grateful to receive the communicant's reply. The Committee's questions are **enclosed**.

We would be grateful if you could send your reply to aarhus.compliance@unece.org, on or before **Friday, 23 June 2017**, copying the Party concerned. The Party concerned will then have ten working days from the date of your reply to provide the Committee with any comments it wishes to make on your response. The Committee will take into account the replies received by the above deadlines in its deliberations on its draft findings.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F Marshall', written over a light blue circular stamp.

Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
Ms. Marta Ortova, Ministry of the Environment, Czech Republic

Enc: Questions from the Committee to the communicant

Questions from the Committee to the communicant:

1. Do you consider that any of the issues raised in your communication have been resolved by the amendments to the EIA Act adopted by the Czech Republic in 2015? If so, please indicate which ones.
 2. Do you consider that since the submission of your communication there have been any developments (either positive or negative) in the practice of administrative authorities and the courts of the Czech Republic relevant to the issues raised in your communication? If so, please describe.
 3. Do you consider that the Czech Republic is still in non-compliance with article 6, paragraphs 3 and 8 of the Convention with respect to the original allegations made in your communication? If so, regarding which type of procedures and with respect to which categories of the public concerned (affected individuals, NGOs, etc.)? Please provide reasons for your answer.
 4. Do you consider that the Czech Republic is still in non-compliance with article 9, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the Convention with respect to the original allegations in your communication? If so, regarding which type of procedures, acts or omissions and in which respects, and, if relevant, for which categories of the public concerned (affected individuals, NGOs, etc.)? Please provide reasons for your answer.
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