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Dear Mr. Ali,

Re: Decision III/6a of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention concerning compliance by Albania with its obligations under the Convention

Hereby I would like to draw your attention to decision III/6a adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention at its third session on 13 June 2008 in Riga, Latvia, concerning compliance by Albania with its obligations under the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2008/2/Add.9).

At its twenty-seventh meeting, the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee expressed its regret at the failure of Albania to submit the report within the deadline prescribed in decision III/6a. While noting that changes in Albania were taking place very slowly, the Committee expressed its general satisfaction at the progress with the implementation of the action plan and the content of the report, which reflected genuine efforts resulting in significant progress.

Please note that the Committee also asked the secretariat to prompt you to submit your report due in November 2010 on time. The Committee will then review the progress made by Albania at its thirtieth meeting (14-17 December 2010) and prepare recommendations for consideration by the Meeting of the Parties at its fourth session in summer 2011.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat (public.participation@unece.org) if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of Albania to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva