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To the

Chair of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee, Mr J. Ebbesson

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Permanent Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the United Nations Office and the other International Organizations in Geneva

With regard to the enclosed information

Dear Mr Ebbesson

We have pleasure in sending you a version of the Draft Law to introduce additions and amendments to certain laws of the Republic of Belarus with regard to issues of public participation in making decisions having an impact on the environment and (or) connected with the use of natural resources, revised with the participation of the public; a draft Resolution of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus approving Regulations on a procedure for organizing and conducting public discussions of environmentally significant decisions, publicizing them; and the Republic of Belarus's comments on implementing the recommendations of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee.

Enclosed: Draft Law: 5 pages, 1 copy

draft Resolution of the Council of Ministers: 16 pages, 1 copy

Comments of the Republic of Belarus: 3 pages, 1 copy

Yours sincerely, First Deputy Minister

V.V. Kulik