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Excellency,

**Re: Decision IV/9h of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information,
Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters
(Aarhus Convention)**

As you are aware, at its fourth session (Chisinau, 29 June-1 July 2011), the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention adopted decision IV/9h on compliance by Ukraine with its obligations under the Convention. According to the decision, Ukraine was expected to provide evidence on implementation of the measures requested by the Meeting of the Parties in decision II/5b by 1 April 2012.

On behalf of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee, I acknowledge receipt of your report on 1 May 2012. The Committee notes with concern the late submission of your report. The Committee, however, is even more concerned at the fact that the report does not provide evidence on **full implementation** by Ukraine of the measures requested by the Meeting of the Parties. Instead, it provides mainly information of draft legal acts under preparation.


At its thirty-sixth meeting (27-30 March 2012), the Committee decided that at its thirty-seventh meeting (26-29 June 2012), further to the request of the Meeting of the Parties in decision IV/9h, it would consider whether Ukraine has fully implemented the measures requested in decision II/5b and whether the caution issued should be lifted. Therefore, you are urged to submit to the Committee as soon as possible, but **no later than 25 June 2012**, any additional information evidencing that Ukraine has actually fulfilled the measures requested in a successful manner.

His Excellency
Mr. Dmytro Mormul
Deputy Minister for Ecology and Natural Resources
of Ukraine
Kyiv

You are invited to contact the secretariat if you require any clarification regarding the above.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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