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REVISING THE EMEP STRATEGY

Note by the Bureau of the Steering Body of EMEP

Corrigendum

Page 6, paragraph 17

For the existing text substitute

17. Parties to the UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (the Aarhus Convention, adopted in 1998) have agreed that, in a democracy, the people have the right to gain access to information, including environmental information. They believe government has the responsibility of supporting the public interest by making it easy to access that information. To ensure that this fundamental democratic right is fully realized

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in practice, the Aarhus Convention elaborates on the specific rights of individuals. For example, anyone can ask for any environmental information possessed by any governmental agency or any private body that serves a public function. The person making the request does not have to be citizen or resident of that State and does not even have to provide an interest or a reason. NGOs can request information regardless of where they are legally registered. Parties to the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution may wish to take note of this.

Page 14, section IV, subsection A, subitems (a) to (e)

At the end of each subitem delete C.1 to C.5
