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Ref. EIA/IC/INFO/13 Muzhiyevo goldmine

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Dear Mr. Tarasenko,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991).

At its thirty-first session, held in Geneva from 2 to 4 September 2014, the Committee continued its consideration of the information it had gathered on the planned reopening of a goldmine in Muzhiyevo, Ukraine, close to the border with Hungary (EIA/IC/INFO/13). The Committee reviewed the information provided by the Governments of Ukraine and Hungary, in response to the Committee’s letters of 14 March 2014. The Committee noted that it did not have sufficient information concerning the activity and decided to continue its consideration of the matter at its next session.

You are now requested to address the following questions:

(a) What is the legal status of the Muzhiyevo goldmine: are there valid licenses/authorizations to undertake gold mining in Muzhiyevo and when were they granted?

(b) If there are no valid licenses, is there any pending procedure for granting the license on mining, including for renewing/changing a previous license?

(c) Could you provide factual information about the mine, such as the previous or authorized, if any, scale of the mining?

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You are kindly requested to provide the information, in English, to the secretariat by no later than 21 November 2014, for the Committee to consider at its next session.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Implementation Committee,  
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