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27 February 2015

Kieran Fitzpatrick
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Republic of Ireland

Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Ireland in connection with the cost of access to justice (ACCC/C/2014/113)

On 5 June 2014, the secretariat of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) received from you the above communication addressed to the Compliance Committee of the Convention. The communication concerns compliance by Ireland with article 3, paragraphs 1, 2 and 8 and article 9, paragraph 4 of the Convention in connection with court costs. The communication was submitted in accordance with the provisions of chapter VI of the annex to decision I/7 of the Meeting of the Parties.

The communication has been registered under the symbol ACCC/C/2014/113, which you are invited to cite in future correspondence on the matter. The main documentation relating to the communication will be shortly available on the Committee's web site at: <http://www.unece.org/env/pp/pubcom.html>.

The Compliance Committee, having considered the admissibility of the communication at its forty-seventh meeting (16-19 December 2014), has on a preliminary basis determined it to be admissible in accordance with paragraph 20 of the annex to decision I/7. A copy of the preliminary determination on admissibility is attached. Please note, however, that the Committee has not reached any conclusions with respect to the compliance issues referred to in the communication.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F Marshall', written in a cursive style.

Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
Ms. Marguerite Ryan, Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government, Ireland

Enc: Preliminary determination on admissibility