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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee
UN Economic Commission for Europe
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Copy by email to: Danielle Angelopoulou

Dear Ms Marshall,

Re: ACCC/C/2015/131 (United Kingdom)

Thank you for the opportunity to make a final submission to the Compliance Committee before the hearing next week.

I am sorry to hear that the UK is of the opinion that my communication and comments alleging non-compliance with the Convention have not been clearly presented. I have tried very hard to limit the information to the essential facts only, and to present them in as ordered and logical a manner as I can.

In my opinion, the facts and alleged non-compliance have remained essentially the same throughout. My further comments of June 2016 merely supplied additional evidence in support of the facts stated in the initial communication (as the UK had considered that some of the allegations were unsubstantiated), and attempted to address any points of misunderstanding or disagreement with the Party concerned.

I am attaching a final submission in which I have summarised the main issues for consideration in this case. I hope that this will help to address the concerns raised in the UK's latest letter of 5 November 2020, in particular any remaining confusion surrounding my position on Article 6(1)(b).

I apologise for any repetition, but thought that it would be helpful to have all the main issues covered in a single document.

Yours sincerely,

Tracy Breakell