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Dear Ms. Baron,

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 twenty-ninth session that was held in Geneva from 10 to 12 December 2013, the Committee continued its consideration of the information it had gathered on the planned construction of the Hinkley Point C nuclear power plant (NPP) by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The Committee reviewed the clarifications from the Governments of Austria, Germany, Ireland and the United Kingdom in response to the Committee's letters of 15 October 2013. Additional information had also been submitted on 9 December 2013 by the member of the German parliament representing the Green Party that had originally submitted the information.

The Committee agreed that it would continue its consideration of the matter at its next meeting. At the request of the Committee, I am now writing to invite the Netherlands to address the following question: Could the Government of the Netherlands confirm that the proposed NPP at Hinkley Point C is not likely to cause significant adverse transboundary environmental impact on the territory of the Netherlands?

You are kindly invited to provide the information to the secretariat by 31 January 2014 for consideration by the Committee at its next session.

Yours sincerely,

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