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Dear Mr. Pirotte,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the European Community with the provisions of the Convention in connection with actions of the European Investment Bank (Ref. ACCC/C/2007/21)

At its twenty-third meeting (31 March – 3 April 2009), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concluded its preparation of findings with regard to the above communication, taking into account comments on the draft findings received from the Party concerned on 18 February 2009 and 18 March 2009 and from the communicant on 1 March 2009 and 2 April 2009. The latter comments are enclosed for your information.

Please find enclosed an advance copy of the Committee's findings, which is also being sent to the communicant. These will in due course be produced as an addendum to the report of the twenty-third meeting of the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Wates Secretary

Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Cc: Mr. Lavdosh Ferruni and Mr. Ardian Klosi, Civic Alliance for the Protection of the Bay of Vlora, Albania

Encs. Remarks and request from the communicant dated 2 April 2009 Findings of the Compliance Committee with regard to communication

ACCC/C/2007/21 (advance unofficial copy)