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Dear Mr.Dountchev,

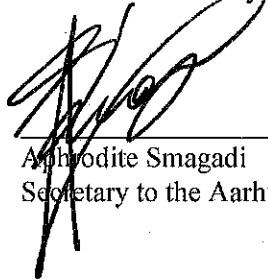
Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Bulgaria with provisions of the Convention in connection with restricted access to review procedures in spatial planning (Ref. ACCC/C/2011/58)

Please find enclosed the draft findings of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee regarding communication ACCC/C/2011/58 (Bulgaria). At its thirty-seventh meeting (Geneva, 26-29 June 2012), the Committee completed its draft findings in closed session, with the exception of a few minor points, which were then finalized by using the electronic decision-making procedure.

The draft is now being forwarded at the request of the Committee for your consideration and possible comments pursuant to paragraph 34 of the annex to decision I/7. The Committee intends to finalize and adopt the findings at its twenty-eighth meeting (Geneva, 25-28 September 2012). Hence, we would be grateful if you would provide any comments by **21 September 2012**. In finalizing the findings, the Committee will take into account any comments you submit on the draft by the set deadline.

Should you have any questions with regard to the procedure, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely,



Aphrodite Smagadi
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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Enc: Draft findings on communication ACCC/C/2011/58