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Mr Alan Rundle Wirral, Merseyside United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Rundle,

Re: Communication ACCC/C/2014/108 to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the United Kingdom with respect to public participation in decision-making on urban development

At its forty-eighth meeting (Geneva, 24-27 March 2015), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee considered the preliminary admissibility of the communication submitted by you on 7 January 2014 and re-submitted on 15 January 2015 in the light of the Committee's request for you to further substantiate your communication. The communication alleged non-compliance with article 3, paragraph 8, article 4, paragraph 2, article 6, paragraphs 3 and 4, article 7, and article 9, paragraph 5 of the Convention with respect to urban development.

At its forty-eighth meeting, the Committee heard the views of the Party concerned via audio conference as well as of the observers present and also took into account the written statements received from both you and the Party concerned in advance of the session. The Committee determined that the communication was inadmissible under paragraph 20(d) in conjunction with paragraph 19 of the annex to decision I/7, for lack of corroborating information since the communication failed to provide relevant information to explain how the allegations contained therein amounted to breaches of the provisions of the Convention in a manner that would make it possible for the Committee duly to examine the alleged breaches.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Marshall

Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Ahmed Azam, Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, United Kingdom Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva