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Dear Mr. Konrad, Ms. Wiedner, Mr. Kiss,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the European Union in connection with the transposition of the Convention's provisions on access to justice (ACCC/C/2014/123)

The Compliance Committee has asked me to write to you regarding the above communication to seek the views of both the Party concerned and the communicant on whether, given the substance of the communication, you would consider it appropriate in this case for the Committee to proceed to commence its deliberations on the substance of the communication without holding a hearing.

I would be grateful if you would send me your views with respect to the Committee's question by **next Monday, 20 June 2016**: The Committee will take into account the comments received by that time when deciding how to proceed during its upcoming fifty-third meeting (Geneva, 21-24 June 2016).

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

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva
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