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Mr. Robert Konrad and Ms. Angelika Wiedner DG Environment Unit E4, Compliance & Better Regulation Brussels, Belgium

Dear Mr. Konrad and Ms. Wiedner,

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)

At its fifty-fifth meeting (Geneva, 6-9 December 2016), the Compliance Committee prepared its draft findings regarding communication ACCC/C/2014/123 in closed session and subsequently agreed its draft findings via electronic decision-making on 20 March 2017.

The draft findings are now forwarded at the request of the Committee for your consideration and possible comments pursuant to paragraph 34 of the annex to decision I/7. We would be grateful if you would provide any comments by **Tuesday**, **18 April 2017**. In finalizing the findings, the Committee will take into account any comments you submit on the draft findings by the set deadline.

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

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Marshall

Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of the European Union to the United Nations Office and international

organizations in Geneva

Csaba Kiss, Justice and Environment, the communicant of communication ACCC/C/2014/123

Ahmed Azam, DEFRA, United Kingdom, as observer

Jeremy Wates, European Environmental Bureau, as observer

Enc: Committee's draft findings on communication ACCC/C/2014/123