

15 November 2019

Ms. Cecilie Windspoll  
Ministry for the Environment  
Stockholm, Sweden

Dear Ms. Windspoll,

**Re: Preliminary determination of admissibility of communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Sweden regarding access to information with respect to a pesticide report (ACCC/C/2019/173)**

On 3 July 2019, the secretariat of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) received the above communication from Mr. Dahllöf, a member of the public, addressed to the Compliance Committee of the Convention. The communication concerns compliance by Sweden with article 4 of the Convention in relation to a request for access to information regarding a draft pesticide report. The communication was submitted in accordance with the provisions of chapter VI of the annex to decision I/7 of the Meeting of the Parties.

The communication has been registered under the symbol ACCC/C/2019/173, which you are invited to cite in future correspondence on the matter. All documentation relating to the communication is available on the Committee's web site at: <http://www.unece.org/env/pp/cc/com.html>.

The Compliance Committee, having considered the admissibility of the communication at its sixty-fifth meeting (Geneva, 4-8 November 2019), has on a preliminary basis determined it to be admissible in accordance with paragraph 20 of the annex to decision I/7. A copy of the preliminary determination on admissibility is attached. Please note, however, that the Committee has not reached any conclusions with respect to the compliance issues referred to in the communication.

Having regard to paragraph 23 of the annex to decision I/7, you are kindly invited to submit to the Committee, as soon as possible but at the latest within five months of the date of this letter (i.e. by **15 April 2020**), any written explanations or statements clarifying the matter referred to in the communication and describing any response that may have been made in the meantime.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



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Fiona Marshall  
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva  
Mr. Staffan Dahllöf, the communicant of communication ACCC/C/2019/173

Enc: Preliminary determination on admissibility