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Sir.

## Re: Decision III/6e of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention concerning compliance by Turkmenistan with its obligations under the Convention

With reference to the letter from Mr. Jeremy Wates, Secretary to the Aarhus Convention, to Ms. Akopova, the Turkmen National Focal Point for the Convention, dated 12 January 2009, concerning the above matter. I would like to hereby draw your attention to the deadlines for submission of information to the Committee set out in decision III/6e of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention concerning compliance by Turkmenistan with its obligations under the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2008/2/Add.13).

The Compliance Committee at its twenty-second meeting (17-19 December 2008) noted with concern that no information on progress in implementing the decision had been provided to it in November 2008 pursuant to paragraph 7 of the decision. The Committee expressed its hope that the report would be submitted to it in the near future

I would also like to draw your attention to paragraph 5 of decision III/6e through which the Meeting of the Parties decided to issue a caution to the Government of Turkmenistan, to become effective on 1 May 2009, unless the Government of Turkmenistan has fully satisfied the conditions set out in that paragraph and has notified the secretariat of this fact by 1 January 2009.

In this connection, we would like to remind you that the deadline for providing the information pursuant to paragraph 5 of decision III/6e expired on 1 January 2009. If such information has been sent but somehow got lost or delayed in transmission, you are kindly invited to let us know as soon as possible.

Your office is invited to contact Mr Jeremy Wates, Secretary to the Convention, should you require any further information (e-mail: jeremy.wates@unece.org, phone: +41-22-917-2384; fax: +41-22-917-0634).

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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