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**Ministerio de Justicia**  
**Secretaría General Técnica**  
**D<sup>a</sup>. Mireya Natalia Corredor Lanas**  
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**SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT ACT LEGAL AID.**

(Communication ACCC/C/2009/36<sup>1</sup> Compliance Committee of the Aarhus Convention.  
IV\_9f Decision of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention<sup>2</sup>)

Mr. **Felix Lorenzo Donoso**, of legal age, with address for notifications at Guadalupe street 17, 06200 Almendralejo (Badajoz), DNI 9154113K, telephone 675 043 835, on behalf of the Plataforma contra la contaminación de Almendralejo, registered in the record of Ministry of Presidency Associations Junta de Extremadura with the number 3,829, to you, acts and, in the most appropriate in law,

## EXPOUNDS

That our association has sent several letters to the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention. (Deputy Secretary General Technical. Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment). In those aforementioned writings, we sent suggestions and arguments to the draft Act Amending the Law 1/1996, of January 10 of Legal Aid.

By phone, later confirmed by e-mail, the Focal Point tells us, "*from the Ministry of Justice told me that in order to get additional explanatory information to forwarded mail it should be addressed to the General Technical Secretary of the Ministry*".

Despite not understanding the attitude of the Ministry of Justice, we refer attached copy of all the documents we have sent or received the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention.

## BACKGROUND

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/pp/compliance/CC-28/ece\\_mp.pp\\_c.1\\_2010\\_4\\_add.2\\_eng.pdf](http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/pp/compliance/CC-28/ece_mp.pp_c.1_2010_4_add.2_eng.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/pp/compliance/MoP4decisions/Spain/Decision\\_IV\\_9f.pdf](http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/pp/compliance/MoP4decisions/Spain/Decision_IV_9f.pdf)

1. On December 3, 2012, a letter is submitted to the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention. Ref. Number. 2012002040006485 (Document 1). It was also sent by email (Document 2).
2. On December 14, 2012, we received acknowledgment to the document mentioned in item 1, in which we are told that they proceed to give notice to the Ministry of Justice (Document 3).
3. On January 16, 2013, we sent a letter by email to the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention. (Documents 4 and 5).
4. On January 17, 2013, we received reply to the email mentioned in item 3 in which they informed us that they are forwarded to the Ministry of Justice (Document 6).
5. On January 29, 2013, we received an email sent by the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention in which we do get the opinion of the Ministry of Justice on the letters sent by our association (Document 7).
6. On January 29, 2013, in response to the email mentioned in item 5, we sent a letter of allegations (Documents 8 and 9).
7. On February 4, 2013, we received an email sent by the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention in which it tells us that we must address the Technical Secretariat of the Ministry of Justice (Document 10).

As stated previously, we do not understand the reason by the Ministry of Justice considers that the issue should be discussed outside the Focal Point of the Aarhus Convention. However, we come to reaffirm the arguments already presented in the writings of which copies are attached.

**For all these reasons,**

**I REQUEST:**

- First.-** That accept that this application is in due form and declare it admissible and to take appropriate measures for the Ministry of Justice considers our suggestion to reform the Free Assistance Act so as to comply with the provisions of the Compliance Committee of the Aarhus Convention.
- Second.-** To keep us informed of the contributions of our claims both reflection and in the realization of the reform of the Law 1/1996.

In Almendralejo, February 5, 2013  
The president



Félix Lorenzo Donoso

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