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15 December 2014

Dear Sir,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Kazakhstan in relation to the plan for a ski resort in the Ile-Alatau national park (ACCC/C/2013/88)

and

decision V/9i of the Meeting of the Parties concerning compliance by Kazakhstan

Further to my letter of 29 October 2014, I write to kindly remind you that the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee will discuss the substance of communication ACCC/C/2013/88 concerning Kazakhstan at its forty-seventh meeting (Palais des Nations, Geneva, 16-19 December 2014).

The discussion of the above communication is scheduled for **Thursday**, **18 December 2014**, starting at 10:30 am and concluding by 5.00 pm.

To date, no representative of the Government of Kazakhstan has registered to attend the discussion. I regret to inform you that a failure on behalf of the Government of Kazakhstan to participate in the next Thursday's discussion will send a very negative message both to the Compliance Committee and to Parties to the Convention more broadly regarding Kazakhstan's commitment to, and willingness to engage with, the Convention.

With all due respect, I must therefore strongly encourage you to nominate a representative to attend and participate in the discussion. If it is not possible to send a representative from the Ministry, you are welcome to send an appropriately briefed representative from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations Office and other international organizations at Geneva.

Mr. Uzakbai Karabalin First Deputy Minister of Energy Ministry of Energy Kazakhstan On other matters, as you may be aware, at its fifth session (Maastricht, 29 June – 2 July 2014), the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention adopted decision V/9i concerning compliance by Kazakhstan.

Please find enclosed for your reference, the Russian version of addendum 1 to the report of the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties, containing the above decision. Addendum 1 may also now be accessed online at: http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/pp/mop5/Documents/Post_session_docs/e ce_mp.pp_2014_2_add.1_rus.pdf.

I would like to kindly draw to your attention that, pursuant to paragraph 8 of decision V/9i, the Government of Kazakhstan is requested to submit to the Committee detailed information on its further progress in implementing the recommendations, including drafts of any legislation being prepared for that purpose, by 31 December 2014.

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

Yours sincerely,

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cc: Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations
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Mr. Sergey Solyanik, communicant of ACCC/C/2013/88

Enc: Registration form for the forty-seventh meeting of the Compliance Committee

Addendum 1 to the report of the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention