

15 November 2019

Ms. Narine Solomonyan
Ministry of Environment
Yerevan, Armenia

Dear Ms. Solomonyan,

**Re: Decision VI/8a concerning compliance by Armenia
with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention**

At its sixty-fifth meeting (Geneva, 4-8 November 2019), the Compliance Committee expressed its serious concern at the failure of Armenia to submit its second progress report on decision VI/8a by the required deadline of **1 October 2019**. The Committee accordingly instructed me to write to you requesting Armenia to do so as a matter of urgency.

To recall, in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of decision VI/8a of the Meeting of the Parties, Armenia was requested to submit to the Committee its second progress report by 1 October 2019 on the measures it had by that date taken, and the results achieved, to implement the recommendations in paragraphs 3(a)-(d) of decision VI/8a.

As I explained in my email to you of 15 October 2019, the deadline of 1 October 2019 was set by the Meeting of the Parties and thus may not be extended.

Armenia is the only Party that is subject to a decision of the Meeting of the Parties that has not yet submitted its second progress report.

I must alert you that Armenia's failure to submit its second progress report by the deadline stipulated in paragraph 4(a) of decision VI/8a will be reported by the Committee to the seventh session of the Meeting of the Parties.

In the light of the above, in order that the Committee can take into consideration any measures Armenia has taken since its first progress report to implement decision VI/8a, Armenia is requested to submit its second progress report as soon as possible, and by **Tuesday, 10 December 2019** at the latest.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the secretariat (aarhus.compliance@un.org) as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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