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To: ECE-Eia-Conv

Subject: Re: GENTLE REMINDER: Letter from the Chair of the Implementation Committee - response requested by 1 June 2019

Dear Mr. Svedas, Chair of the Implementation Committee to the ESPOO Convention and its SEA Protocol,

Dear Mrs. Elena Santer, Secretary to the Implementation Committee,

According to the request to Albania from the Implementation Committee under the Espoo Convention and its Protocol on SEA with regard to Albania's responses to the questionnaire on implementing the Convention in the period from 2013 to 2015 concerning the response to the question I.22 of the EIA questionnaire, in terms of the legal legislation provisions requiring the organisation of the public hearings as an Affected Party in the case of a transboundary EIA procedure, I would like you to inform and clarify you as follows:

The Albanian Government do not have a specific legal act, which sets the provision regarding the organisation of the public hearings as an Affected Party in the case of a transboundary EIA procedure, as we do have in the case that Albania is the Origin Party. This is the reason why we respond to the question I.22 of the EIA questionnaire that we do not have a relevant provision in our national legislation. In the case that Albania is an Affected Party we implement the provisions of the Decision of the Council of the Ministers No. 247, dated 30.04.2014 'On determining rules, procedures and requirements regarding the public information and participation on environmental decision-making', which sets the provision regarding the organisation of the public hearings in the national EIA procedure.

If you will need further clarifications, we will be glad to inform you.

Kind regards,

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