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Dear Ms Babayeva,

I am writing you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context in your position as Focal Point to the Convention.

You may recall that at its twenty-fifth session (11–13 September 2012), the Committee continued its consideration of the submission by Armenia expressing concerns about compliance by Azerbaijan with its obligations under the Convention. (The submission by Armenia had been received on 31 August 2011, and the reply from Azerbaijan to the submission on 29 November 2011.) The Committee reviewed the additional information and clarifications provided by Armenia and Azerbaijan on 15 June 2012 and 14 August 2012, respectively and drafted its questions to the two Parties.

Further to my previous letter to you of 25 April 2012, inviting the Government of Armenia to be present at the twenty-sixth session of the Implementation Committee (26-28 November 2012) where the Committee would continue its consideration of the submission taking into account the further information to be provided by the Parties, in line with paragraph 9 of the structure and functions of the Committee, I forward you herewith questions from the Committee.

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You are kindly invited to provide written replies to the Committee's questions through the Convention secretariat by **9 November 2012** as well as to be prepared to answer questions at the sessions. Please be aware that these questions might still be subject to modifications by the Committee and that the exact questions to be asked would be determined by the Committee during the hearing.

Please note that the Committee will start by considering the submission in a closed session on 26 November, in the afternoon. On 27 November, in the morning, the Committee will invite presentations by the concerned Parties (not exceeding 20 minutes each) and ask them questions. In the afternoon, the Committee will consider the submission again in closed session.

You are kindly invited to provide the secretariat with confirmation of your participation and the composition of your delegation well in advance of the session, in order to facilitate the access to the Palais des Nations. Please also inform the secretariat at this time whether you will be willing to accept the presence of observers at the hearing.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'V' followed by a horizontal line.

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