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Ms. Jane Barton
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Dear Ms. Barton,

Re: Communications to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the United Kingdom with provisions of the Convention in connection with costs associated with discharge of an interim injunction (ACCC/C/2008/23), with the expansion of the Belfast City Airport (ACCC/C/2008/27) and with the scope of judicial review, costs, timing and other issues (ACCC/C/2008/33)

At its twenty-ninth meeting (21-24 September 2010), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concluded its preparation of findings in closed session with regard to the above communications, taking into account the comments received from the Party concerned and the communicants.

Please find enclosed the advance unedited English copies of the Committee's findings as adopted. These will in due course be produced as official UN documents, which will be available in the three official UNECE languages.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely

Aphrodite Smagadi

Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

Mr. Paul Stookes, Richard Buxton Environmental & Public Law

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