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Dear Mr. Issaliyev,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Kazakhstan with provisions of the Convention in connection with public participation in the conduct of state environmental review (expertize) for the South West Roads Project (Ref.ACCC/C/2011/59)

Please find enclosed the draft findings of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee regarding communication ACCC/C/2011/59 (Kazakhstan). At its thirty-ninth meeting (Geneva, 11-14 December 2012), the Committee completed its draft findings in closed session, with the exception of a few minor points, which were then finalized by using the electronic decision-making procedure.

The draft findings are now forwarded at the request of the Committee for your consideration and possible comments pursuant to paragraph 34 of the annex to decision I/7. The Committee intends to finalize and adopt the findings at its fortieth meeting (Geneva, 25-28 March 2013). Hence, we would be grateful if you would provide any comments by 19 March 2013. In finalizing the findings, the Committee will take into account any comments you submit on the draft by the set deadline.

Should you have any questions with regard to the procedure, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

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Enc: Draft Findings on communication ACCC/C/2011/59