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Dear Ms. Sadvakasova,

Re: Draft Report on Compliance by Kazakhstan with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention

At its thirty-first meeting (22-25 February 2011), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee reviewed the progress made by Kazakhstan with regard to the follow-up on decision III/6c of the Meeting of the Parties concerning compliance by Kazakhstan with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention. On the basis of the information available, the Committee prepared a draft report with revised recommendations to the Meeting of the Parties.

The draft is now being forwarded at the request of the Committee for your consideration and possible comments. You are invited to provide your comments as soon as possible, but **no later than 15 March 2011**. In your response, please also indicate whether you agree with the Committee's recommendations. Taking into account the comments received by the set date, the Committee, using its electronic decision-making procedure, will finalize and adopt its report and revised recommendations.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat (public.participation@unece.org) if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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