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Dear Ms. Sadvakasova,

Re: Decision III/6c of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention concerning compliance by Kazakhstan with its obligations under the Convention

Hereby I would like to draw your attention to decision III/6c adopted by the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention at its third session on 13 June 2008 in Riga, Latvia, concerning compliance by Kazakhstan with its obligations under the Convention (ECE/MP.PP/2008/2/Add.11). I also refer to the letter of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee of 7 October 2010 prompting you to submit the information on the progress in implementing the recommendations of the Committee by 30 November 2010.

At its thirtieth meeting (14-17 December 2010), the Committee noted that despite the reminder sent through the secretariat, Kazakhstan had failed to provide the information requested by the Committee according to the decision. The Committee asked the secretariat to prompt you to submit your report as soon as possible, but not later than **11 February 2011**. In providing your response, please address the recommendations of the above referenced decision in a brief and explicit manner.

At its thirty-first meeting (22-25 February 2011), the Committee will finalize its report to the Meeting of the Parties, which is going to hold its fourth session in June 2011. In its report the Committee will include a review on the progress made by Kazakhstan in implementing the recommendations of the decision during the inter-sessional period, and further recommendations as appropriate. The requested information is essential for the Committee to make its assessment on the progress reached by Kazakhstan and report to the Meeting of the Parties.

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

Yours sincerely,


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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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