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Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Compliance Committee

Twelfth meeting Geneva, 14- 16 June 2006

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE MEETING

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, beginning at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 14 June 2006*

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

1. The Committee will be invited to adopt the agenda as set out in the present document, also taking into account any points raised for consideration by representatives of non-governmental organizations present at the meeting as observers.

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^{*} New accreditation procedures have been introduced for all delegates attending meetings at the Palais des Nations. Delegates are therefore requested to complete the registration form, which is available from the Aarhus Convention's website (www.unece.org/env/pp/compliance.htm), and to transmit it to the Aarhus Convention secretariat no later than 2 weeks before the meeting – namely, by 31 May 2006 – either by fax (+ 41 22 917 0634) or by e-mail (public.participation@unece.org). On their way to the meeting, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the Pass and Identification Unit of the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Villa Les Feuillantines, 13, Avenue de la Paix (see the map on the Convention's website). In case of difficulty, please contact the Aarhus Convention secretariat by telephone at +41 22 917 1502.

Item 2. Relevant developments since the previous meeting of the Committee

2. The Committee will be invited to share any information on relevant developments since its previous meeting that is not covered under other agenda items.

Item 3. Other matters arising from previous meetings

3. The Committee will be invited to discuss any matters arising from its previous meetings.

Item 4. Submissions by Parties concerning other Parties

4. The Committee is expected to consider, in accordance with the relevant procedures, any submission made by a Party concerning another Party's compliance with its obligations under the Convention, as provided for under paragraph 15 of the annex to decision I/7.

Item 5. Submissions by Parties concerning their own compliance

5. The Committee is expected to consider, in accordance with the relevant procedures, any submission made by a Party concerning its own compliance with the obligations under the Convention, as provided for under paragraph 16 of the annex to decision I/7.

Item 6. Referrals by the secretariat

6. The Committee is expected to consider, in accordance with the relevant procedures, any referral made by the secretariat concerning possible non-compliance by a Party with its obligations under the Convention, as provided for under paragraph 17 of the annex to decision I/7

Item 7. Communications from members of the public

- 7. The Committee is mandated to consider, in accordance with the relevant procedures, communications from the public, as provided for under chapter VI of the annex to decision I/7.
- (a) The Committee is expected to finalize and adopt its findings and, as appropriate, recommendations with regard to communications ACCC/C/2004/06 (Kazakhstan) and ACCC/C/2005/11 (Belgium).
- (b) The Committee is expected to resume its discussion on the substance of communication ACCC/C/2005/12 (Albania). The Committee is also expected to discuss the content of communication ACCC/C/2005/15 (Romania). In accordance with chapter IX of the annex to decision I/7 of the Meeting of the Parties, the Party concerned and the communicant are entitled to participate in the discussion on the subject matter of each communication, though not in the preparation or adoption of any findings, measures or recommendations of the Committee.

- (c) The Committee will discuss any new communications received sufficiently in advance of the meeting, in particular with respect to their admissibility and any issues that may need to be raised with the Party concerned.
- (d) The Committee may discuss any other possible issues related to communications.

Item 8. Other information received by the Committee relevant to possible cases of non-compliance

8. The Committee is expected to consider any other information relevant to possible non-compliance which has been brought to its attention.

Item 9. Follow-up on specific cases of non-compliance

9. The Committee will be invited to discuss any progress with regard to implementation of decisions II/5, II/5a, II/5b and II/5c of the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.PP/2005/2/Add.6–9).

Item 10. Review of compliance with the reporting requirements and procedures for addressing compliance issues arising from the implementation reports

10. The Committee will be invited to discuss, on the basis of the analysis presented at its eleventh meeting, how to address certain general issues of compliance with regard to specific provisions of the Convention in its next report to the Meeting of the Parties (ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2006/2, para. 33).

- Item 11. Programme of work and calendar of meetings
- Item 12. Any other business
- Item 13. Adoption of the report