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CONTEXT
PROTOCOL ON STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

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Ref. Examination of general and specific compliance issues from the second review of implementation of the Protocol

17 April 2019

Dear Ms. Maggiore,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Kyiv, 2003).

At its forty-fourth session, held in Geneva from 12 to 15 March 2019, the Committee continued its consideration of general and specific compliance issues identified in the second review of implementation of the Protocol (ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/9).

The Committee noted that in its response to question I.10 of questionnaire on implementation of the Protocol Italy indicated that it does not have any specific procedures or mechanisms to ensure sufficient quality of environmental reports prepared under strategic environmental assessment procedures.

I am now writing to you to request the Government of Italy to:

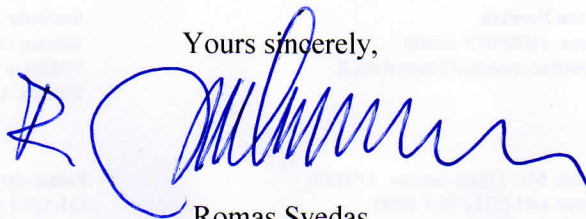
(a) Provide clarifications on implementation of article 7 (3) of the Protocol, particularly on how it ensured that reports were of sufficient quality;

(b) Clarify whether the procedure followed in practice met the requirements of the Protocol.

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Please provide the requested information in English through the secretariat **by 15 July 2019** for the Committee to consider at its next session (Geneva, 10-13 September 2019).

Yours sincerely,



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Chair of the Implementation Committee