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Dear Mr. García Bartolomé,

Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Spain with provisions of the Convention in connection with access to information, public participation in decision-making and access to justice in the Extremaduran Community (ACCC/C/2009/36)

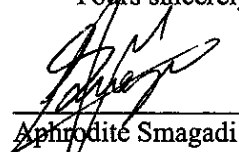
Please find enclosed the draft findings of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee regarding communication ACCC/C/2009/36. The Committee prepared draft findings at its twenty-seventh meeting (Geneva, 16-19 March 2010), completing the draft through its electronic decision-making procedure.

The draft is now being 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 twenty-eighth meeting (Geneva, 15-18 June 2010). Hence, we would be grateful if you would provide any comments by 26 May 2010.

The text has been drafted on the assumption that your Government agrees with the Committee making recommendations in accordance with paragraphs 36 (b) and 37 (b) of the annex to decision I/7. If this is not the case, please indicate this in your reply. The Committee considers that the making of recommendations directly to the Party concerned during the intersessional period, coupled with timely action by the Party to implement such recommendations, would enable the matter to be resolved in the most expeditious way, allowing the Committee's report to the fourth session of the Meeting of the Parties to concentrate more on progress achieved than on outstanding problems.

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

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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