

General Directorate for Impact Assessment and Pollution Control

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To:

Fiona Marshall

Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and

Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention)

Subject: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Romania in relation to the permitting process for the Rosia Montana mining project (ACCC/C/2012/69)

Dear Ms. Fiona Marshall,

In addition to our letter nr. 93638/DM/23.03.2015 with regard to the Compliance Committee draft findings on the permitting process for the Rosia Montana mining project (ACCC/C/2012/69) we would like to bring to your attention the following:

The Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests carries out a consultation procedure with the public authorities concerned such as the Ministry of Culture, the National Agency for Mineral Resources and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Until today the MEWF did not received all the comments from the public authorities.

As you may know, the environmental permitting process for the Rosia Montana mining project is very complex and at the same time a project of particular interest to the public. For this reasons we appreciate that an extent of two months will be sufficient for the public authorities to analyse the draft document in order to establish a balance between the claimers position and the Party position.

We consider that the comments of the Romanian public authorities are extremely important for the Compliance Committee decision.

Sincerely Yours,

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