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Dear Ms. Malkina,

Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Belarus in connection with harassment of anti-nuclear activists (ACCC/C/2014/102)

I write to inform you that the Compliance Committee today agreed its draft findings on communication ACCC/C/2014/102 through its electronic decision-making procedure.

The draft findings are now forwarded at the request of the Committee for your consideration and possible comments pursuant to paragraph 34 of the annex to decision I/7. We would be grateful if you would provide any comments by **Tuesday, 13 June 2017**. In finalizing the findings, the Committee will take into account any comments you submit on the draft findings by the set deadline.

The text has been drafted on the assumption that your Government agrees with the Committee making recommendations in accordance with paragraph 36 (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, coupled with timely action by the Party to implement such recommendations, enable compliance matters to be resolved in the most expeditious way.

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

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosure

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