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Dear Mr. Yaremenko,

**Re: Report on Compliance by Ukraine with its obligations
under the Aarhus Convention**

Please find enclosed for your information the final version of the report on compliance by Ukraine with its obligations under the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) and its implementation of the recommendations in decision II/5b of the Meeting of the Parties, prepared at the nineteenth meeting of the Convention's Compliance Committee held in Geneva on 5-7 March 2008.

This report, in the form of an addendum to the Committee's report to the Meeting of the Parties, has been prepared by the Committee following its review of the status of implementation by Ukraine of the recommendations contained in decision II/5b of the Meeting of the Parties.

The matter of compliance by Ukraine will now be considered by the Meeting of the Parties, inter alia on the basis of the enclosed report. The Committee will however discuss its oral report to the Meeting of the Parties, including the issues concerning compliance by Ukraine, at its 20th meeting (8-10 June 2008, Riga, Latvia). The discussion is expected to take place in the afternoon of Sunday, 8 June 2008 in room "Sigma" of the Reval Hotel Latvia. The meeting itself is expected to commence at 2pm, while the discussion on compliance by individual Parties is scheduled to start from 3pm in an open session. The Committee would welcome participation of Ukrainian Government representatives in the discussion in an observer capacity.

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Wates
Secretary

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and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Cc: Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations Offices in Geneva