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20 October 2015

Mr. Hristo Stoev  
Chief Expert  
Environmental Policies Directorate  
Strategies and Programmes Department  
Ministry of Environment and Waters  
Sofia, Bulgaria

Dear Mr. Stoev,

**Re: Decision V/9d concerning compliance by Bulgaria  
with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention**

As you may be aware, pursuant to paragraph 8 of decision V/9d, the Government of Bulgaria is requested to provide its second detailed progress report to the Committee by **31 October 2015** on the measures taken and the results achieved in the implementation of the recommendations set out in that decision.

To assist you with this task, the Compliance Committee reviewed the first progress report submitted by the Government of Bulgaria on 6 January 2015, as well as the comments received from the communicant of communication ACCC/C/2011/58 on 30 January 2015 and, in the light of the information received, prepared a first progress review of the Government's implementation of decision V/9d.

Please find **attached** for your information the Compliance Committee's first progress review of the Government of Bulgaria's first progress report.

I invite you to take into account the Compliance Committee's first progress review when preparing and finalizing the Government of Bulgaria's second progress report on the implementation of decision V/9d.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F Marshall'.

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Fiona Marshall  
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of the Republic of Bulgaria to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva  
Mr. Alexander Dountchev, representing communicant of communication  
ACCC/C/2011/58

Enc: Committee's first progress review on the implementation of decision V/9d concerning compliance by Bulgaria