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Dear Mr. Pavlenko,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991).

At its fifteenth session (28-30 October 2008), and in accordance with rule 15 of the Committee's Operating Rules (decision IV/2, annex IV), the Committee reviewed information provided by you, as well as by the Government of Ukraine and the secretariat, regarding on-going and planned activities in Romania. Consequently, at the Committee's request, the Chair of the Committee wrote to Romania on 24 November 2008 to request clarification as to whether, how and when the Convention would be applied to those activities within Romania's National Territory Master Plan, adopted in 2006, relating to navigation on the Danube River, and which may include works to improve navigation on stretches of the River: (a) where it forms the border between Bulgaria and Romania (such as the "ISPA" navigation projects), and (b) where it divides into the Kiliya and Tulcea (Tulcha) arms.

At its sixteenth session (10-12 March 2009), the Committee examined Romania's reply, a letter received on 13 February 2009. The Committee was satisfied with the clarification provided by Romania.

The Committee asked that I write to you declaring that the Committee considered the matter closed, unless you have any specific complaint regarding the application of the Convention by Romania, in which case you are invited to complete and return the form provided for this purpose on the Convention's website at http://www.unece.org/env/eia/implementation/implementation_committee.htm.

As you may see in the attached letter to Romania, dated 7 April 2009, the Committee has requested Romania's agreement that the correspondence between the Committee and Romania, including the clarification provided by Romania and as referred to above, be placed on the Convention's website. Similar correspondence between the Committee and Parties has already been placed at http://www.unece.org/env/eia/implementation/implementation_committee_letters.htm, as illustration of the Committee's approach to a specific compliance issue and of a proper and sufficient response from a Party to address the issue.

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment: Letter from Committee Chair to Romania, dated 7 April 2009.