

Aarhus Convention

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– Statement by the EU and its Member States –

Agenda Item 10: Compliance mechanism

The EU and its Member States would like to thank the Compliance Committee and its Secretariat for the work done. In particular, we would like to acknowledge the members that will leave or will be re-elected: Ms. Ryall and Mr. Kodjabashev, for their good work, and Mr. Ebbesson, for his role in leading the Compliance Committee.

The EU and its Member States would like to thank the Compliance Committee for its close engagement with the Parties in assisting the implementation of the three pillars of the Aarhus Convention and for the preparation of its meeting reports.

We also welcome the use of virtual and audio meetings which can save resources and time.