Dear Ms. Cmiljanovic,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Kyiv, 2003).

At its forty-eighth session, held using videoconferencing from 1 to 4 September 2020, the Committee noted the joint information from two non-governmental organizations (NGOs) from Bosnia and Herzegovina (the Aarhus Centar and Centre for Environment) and two NGOs from Montenegro (Green Home and Environmental Movement “Ozon”) of 15 May 2020 regarding the compliance of Bosnia and Herzegovina with its obligations under the Convention with respect to the construction of the Buk Bijela hydropower plant. At the request of the Committee, I hereby transmit to the Government of Montenegro for its consideration the correspondence from the four NGOs.

The Government of Montenegro is kindly invited to provide any written explanations or statements clarifying the matter referred to in the correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

Romas Svedas
Chair of the Implementation Committee

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