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Dear Ms. Plesco,

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

The Meeting of the Parties to the Convention requested the Committee to take into account in its work general and specific compliance issues identified in the Third Review of Implementation (ECE/MP.EIA/15, decision V/3), based on questionnaires returned by Parties (available at http://live.unece.org/env/eia/implementation/review_implementation_2010.html).

The Committee noted at its twenty-second session, held in Geneva from 5 to 7 September 2011, that in its reply to the questionnaire regarding the country's national and transboundary environmental impact assessment procedures (question 3 (b)), the Republic of Moldova had indicated that at the national level, procedures for EIA in a transboundary context were not spelled out but "determined in accordance with the Convention". The Committee pointed out that direct application of the Convention (and of international agreements in general) without more detailed provisions in the legislation, was considered insufficient for the proper implementation of the Convention (see decision IV/2, in ECE/MP.EIA/10, annex II, appendix I, para. 64).

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In the light of the above, the Committee asked me to contact you on its behalf to seek clarification of the Republic of Moldova's national legislation to implement the Convention. You are kindly requested to provide written clarification to the Convention's secretariat no later than by 15 November 2011. The Committee will consider this information at its forthcoming session, from 5 to 7 December 2011.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vesna Kolar-Planinsic', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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