

Aarhus Convention Secretariat

c/o Fiona Marshall
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**Regarding: Comments on the Committee's draft findings regarding communication
ACCC/C/2016/143 (Czech Republic)**

Dear Ms. Marshall,

ÖKOBÜRO – Alliance of the Austrian Environmental Movement and GLOBAL 2000 (Friends of the Earth Austria) very much appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft findings regarding the Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee (ACCC/C/2016/143).

As communicants we would like to thank the Compliance Committee for its comprehensive and thorough deliberations and findings. We also thank the Secretariat for its considerable, expert support regarding case ACCC/C/2016/143.

We welcome that the draft findings reflect all relevant issues raised in our communication concerning compliance by the Czech Republic regarding public participation and access to justice in connection with the lifetime extension of Dukovany Nuclear Power Plants. We agree with all points addressed in the draft findings, especially the conclusions and recommendations in paragraphs 137 and 138.

We look forward to the finalised version of the findings to be presented to the Meeting of the Parties in October 2021.

With best regards,



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