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14 October 2021

Subject: Decision VI/8c concerning compliance by Belarus: Draft supplementary report of the Compliance Committee

Dear Mr. Korbut,

I write at the request of the Compliance Committee under the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) which has asked me to transmit to you the enclosed letter from the Chair of the Compliance Committee.

Should you have any questions with regard to the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely,

Zaal Lomtadze Office-in-Charge Environment Division

Mr. Alexander Korbut Acting Deputy Minister Minister of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Republic of Belarus

Cc: Permanent Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

Representatives of the communicants of communications ACCC/C/2009/37 and ACCC/C/2009/44 and ACCC/C/2014/102

Nuclear Transparency Watch, Greenpeace Netherlands and WISE International, as observers

Encl.

## Jonas Ebbesson

Chair of the Compliance Committee under the UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention)

Stockholm, 14 October 2021

Dear Mr. Korbut,

Re: Decision VI/8c of the Meeting of the Parties concerning compliance by Belarus:
Liquidation of Ecohome

I refer to your letter of 13 October 2021.

I welcome your confirmation that Belarus likewise appreciates the constructive cooperation between Belarus and the Committee.

In your letter, you request a further three-week extension for Belarus to comment on the Committee's draft supplementary report on decision VI/8c.

For the reasons set out in my letter of 10 October 2021, it will not possible for the Committee to grant a further extension to Belarus to comment on the Committee's draft supplementary report. The Committee has carefully considered the issues raised in your letter of 13 October 2021 and will duly address them in the finalization of its supplementary report.

I conclude by assuring you that the Committee looks forward to continuing its constructive cooperation with Belarus in the next intersessional period, and in that regard, to urgent action by Belarus to reinstate Ecohome as a legal entity.

Yours sincerely.

Jonas Ebbesson

Mr. Alexander Korbut Acting Deputy Minister Ministry Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Republic of Belarus

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