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Subject: ACCC/M/2021/4 (European Union) - invitation to open session at Committee's 73rd

meeting

Dear Ms. Belenyessy,

As you may recall, in the spirit of reaching consensus, the Meeting of the Parties exceptionally decided to postpone the decision-making on the Committee's findings and recommendations on communication ACCC/C/2015/128 (European Union) to the next ordinary session of the Meeting of the Parties to be held in 2025. The Meeting of the Parties also requested the Committee to review any developments that have taken place regarding the matter, and to report to the Meeting of the Parties accordingly.

The Committee has registered the above request of the Meeting of the Parties under the case reference, ACCC/M/2021/4 (European Union). The text of the Meeting of the Parties' request, as agreed at the seventh session, is available online at:

https://unece.org/env/pp/cc/accc.m.2021.4 european-union

In accordance with the Committee's procedure for follow-up during the current intersessional period, the European Union is invited by the Committee to submit a plan of action, including a time schedule, to the Committee by 1 July 2022 regarding the implementation of the recommendations on communication ACCC/C/2015/128 (European Union).

In that regard, the Compliance Committee will hold an open session **next Tuesday**, **14 December**, **from 12.00-13.00 CET**, during its seventy-third meeting, in order to provide guidance to Parties on preparing a plan of action. In addition to presentations by the Committee and secretariat to assist Parties to understand the format, content, and level of detail a plan of action should include, there will also be opportunities for Parties to ask any questions and seek clarification from the Committee. Communicants and observers are also welcome to attend the session.

The session will be held in English, with interpretation in Russian and French provided. The provisional timeline for the Committee's seventy-third meeting is available at: <a href="https://unece.org/info/Environmental-Policy/Public-Participation/events/361661">https://unece.org/info/Environmental-Policy/Public-Participation/events/361661</a>

I would be grateful if you would confirm **by noon CET this coming Friday, 10 December**, that the European Union will take part in the session. In your email, please provide the names and email addresses of those who will take part. Participants will thereafter be provided with the Interprefy link to be able to join the open session next Tuesday.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know. We look forward to the European Union's participation in next Tuesday's open session.

## With kind regards, Fiona



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