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Subject: Right to Protection_Ukraine_concerning Ukraine's request to the Compliance Committee of the Convention on Access to Information

Dear Ms. Marshall!

The Right to Protection CF (R2P) avails itself of this opportunity to express assurances of its highest consideration and esteem to the Committee.

Since 2019 R2P has participated in the “Reducing Disaster Risk Vulnerability in Eastern Ukraine” project, which is implemented by Fund as a member of the 3P Consortium. Within the projects supported by ECHO, R2P performs legal and policy analysis focusing on the laws on industrial and environmental risks. In particular, the project team identifies gaps in the regulations that put practical barriers to a systemic approach to disaster risk reduction. Moreover, over the years of project implementation, R2P has gained significant practical experience in guaranteeing environmental safety during military hostilities.

27 June 2022 Ukraine requested the Compliance Committee of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) for advice on whether its adoption of certain measures in connection with the military aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine is compatible with its obligations as a Party to the Aarhus Convention and respective Committee’s call of 21 June 2022 to members of the public. Due to mentioned request, R2P has prepared the application with a request to Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee (ACCC) to widen the scope of its advice to Ukraine to include the necessity of implementing the multi-hazard management of disaster risk in development at all levels as well as within and across all sectors.

Please find enclosed the full text of R2P's application in the attachment.

Best Regards,
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