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Subject: Re: Decision VII/8h (Hungary) - plan of action not received

Dear Fiona,

Thank you for your email I received regarding the MOP decision VII/8h, and the plan of action. I would like to apologise for the short delay in our response, but this is the major holiday period in Hungary. Currently, Andrea is out of office for a few weeks.

As you may know the parliamentary election in Hungary took place in April. This induced some governmental transformation which are still ongoing. According the 182/2022 Government Decree concerning the duties and competence of the members of the Government, the Ministry for Innovation and Technology is responsible for the environment-related issues in the future. This transformation drives fundamental changes. (Maybe the person of the focal point will also be changed.) Due to these processes the Ministry of Agriculture does not take commitments and actions for the future.

Hungary is committed to the objectives of the Aarhus Convention as far as possible and working for the elaboration of the best possible action plan. Hungary endeavours to fulfil the requirements of the Convention before the forthcoming meeting of the MOP in 2024 but for this purpose I'm afraid there might be a small delay in our action plan. I believe the delay will result in a more accurate and comprehensive action plan.

I apologize for the delay and I appreciate your understanding and flexibility.

With kind regards,
On behalf of

Ms. Andrea Barad
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