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Dear Ms. Varela Velo and Mr. López Pérez,  
Dear Mr. Fraile Jiménez de Muñana,

**Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Spain with the provisions of the Convention in relation to access to information and public participation on mining concessions (ACCC/C/2017/153)**

I write to inform you that, at its seventy-ninth meeting (Geneva, 13-16 June 2023), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee took note of the information provided by the secretariat that, on 13 April 2023, it had received an email from the communicants notifying their decision to withdraw their communication.

In light of the communicants' withdrawal of their communication, the Committee closed the case at its seventy-ninth meeting.

The report of the seventy-ninth meeting is available on the Committee's website at: <https://unece.org/environmental-policy/events/seventy-ninth-meeting-aarhus-convention-compliance-committee>

If you have any questions on the above, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely,



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Fiona Marshall  
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of Spain to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva  
Observers of communication ACCC/C/2017/153