CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION AND USE OF TRANSBOUNDARY WATERCOURSES AND INTERNATIONAL LAKES

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Dear Mr. Estrela Monreal,

On behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes (Water Convention) I thank you for your reply of 19 July 2023 in response to my letter of 14 March 2023.

The Committee appreciates the information provided and will consider it at its sixteenth meeting (11–12 December 2023).

I would like to inform you that the Committee has invited the organizations cooperating in the project "Reconnecting Iberian Rivers" to provide written comments, if any, on the information provided by Portugal and Spain prior to the sixteenth meeting of the Committee. This would enable the Committee to discuss next steps, if any, at its next meeting.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Attila Tanzi Chair, Implementation Committee Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes