

19 February 2024

Ms. Laura Gornicioiu
DG Environment
European Commission

Dear Ms. Gornicioiu,

**Re: Request ACCC/M/2021/4 concerning compliance by the European Union
with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention**

Please find enclosed the Committee's first progress review on the implementation of request ACCC/M/2021/4 concerning compliance by the European Union. The Committee's first progress review examines the progress made by the European Union to implement request ACCC/M/2021/4 to date, based on the European Union's first progress report and comments received thereon.

Should you, the communicant or observers have any questions about the Committee's follow-up procedure on request ACCC/M/2021/4, you are welcome to participate virtually in the open session on review of developments on decisions of the Meeting of the Parties to be held **tomorrow, 20 February 2024** at **10.45 CET**, at the Committee's eighty-second meeting (Geneva, 20–23 February 2024).

The provisional timeline for the Committee's eighty-second meeting is available at: <https://unece.org/info/Environmental-Policy/events/387664>. Those wishing to participate at the eighty-second meeting are invited to register at: <https://indico.un.org/event/1007024/>.

The Committee has asked me to remind you that all measures necessary to implement request ACCC/M/2021/4 must be completed by, and reported upon, by no later than 1 October 2024, as that will be the final opportunity for the Party concerned to demonstrate to the Committee that it has fully met the requirements of request ACCC/M/2021/4.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you have questions regarding the above.

Yours sincerely,



Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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Observers of request ACCC/M/2021/4

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