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Mr. Michael Møller Acting Executive Secretary United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Dear Mr. Møller

In my statement at the 6th Meeting of the Parties to the ESPOO Convention, held in Geneva on June 2-5, 2014, I cited the latest information regarding the construction of the new nuclear power unit in Armenia - an activity mentioned in Armenia's notification dated 27 August, 2010.

According to the Decision VI/2, Part III/A, paragraph 46 (ECE/MP.EIA/2014/L.3) of the Meeting of the Parties, the Implementation Committee is asked to follow up and as appropriate to monitor the case.

For this reason, I would like to bring to your attention the Decision 511-A of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, dated 19 May, 2014, approving the new Program of the Government. The new Program, in the "Energy" section, among other projects envisages the construction of the new block of the Nuclear Power Plant, to start in 2018.

Therefore, the information contained in Armenia's notification dated 27 August, 2010 has no further validity, since no works have been initiated or carried out since then, moreover any activities based on that notification have been suspended. Any new developments will be based solely on the new Program of the Government.

I hope that this additional information provides a comprehensive answer and resolves the issue of non-compliance reffered to in the Decision VI/2, Part III/A, Paragraph 45, therefore I would like to ask your assistance in including this issue in the agenda of the upcoming 31st Session of the Implementation Committee, to take place on 2-4 September 2014 in Geneva.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

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