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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues (UNECE Espoo)

Date: 23 May 2017

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo)

1. Preparation for the 7th session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention and the 3rd session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol (Minsk, Belarus, 13-16 June 2017)
 - a) Main issues:
 - (i) Draft decision VII/2 on the review of compliance with the Convention (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/8*) and the Report on the activities of the Implementation Committee (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/4-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/4*)
 - (ii) Draft decision III/2 on the review of compliance with the Protocol (*ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/8*) and the Report on the activities of the Implementation Committee (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/4-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/4*)

- (iii) Draft decision VII/7-III/6 on the development of a strategy and a action plan for the future application of the Convention and the Protocol (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017.1-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/1*)
 - (iv) Draft Minsk declaration (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/2; ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/2*)
 - (v) Draft decision VII/6 on the Application of the Convention to nuclear energy-related activities (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/7*)
 - (vi) Draft decision VII/3-III/3 on the adoption of the workplan (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017.1-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/1*)
 - (vii) Draft decision VII/4-III/4 on the Budget, financial arrangements and financial assistance (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017.1- ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/1*)
 - (viii) Draft decision VII/5-III/5 on Guidance on land-use planning, the siting of hazardous activities and related safety aspects (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017.1-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/1*)
 - (ix) Draft decision VII/1 on reporting and review of implementation of the Convention (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/7*)
 - (x) Draft decision III/1 on reporting and review of implementation of the Protocol (*ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/7*)
- = *Discussion with a view to preparing relevant Speaking Notes*

b) Other issues, including:

- (i) Status of ratification of the Convention, its amendments and its Protocol (*ECE/MP/2017/INF.2*)
 - (ii) Nomination of officers (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/INF.7*)
 - (iii) Tentative calendar of meetings for the next intersessional period (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/INF.8*)
 - (iv) Panel discussion on the contribution of the Convention and the Protocol to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and the future of the treaties (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/INF.9*)
 - (v) Review of the current workplan 2014-2017: Informal assessment of the completion of the workplan (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/INF.3*) and Summary report on technical assistance and capacity-building activities (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/5-ECE/MP.EIA/SEA/2017/5*)
 - (vi) Panel discussion on the role of the Convention and the Protocol in addressing climate change (High level Segment, Friday 16 June) (*ECE/MP.EIA/2017/INF.10*)
- = *Discussion*

2. Any other business

- Ongoing case before the Aarhus Compliance Committee (ACCC/C/2013/92)
- = Information from Germany

NB: A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.