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in Environmental Matters

Compliance Committee**Eighty-eighth meeting**

Geneva, 17–20 November 2025

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

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**To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting on Monday,
17 November 2025*, ****

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II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Compliance Committee under the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Aarhus Convention) will be invited to adopt its agenda as set out in the present document, taking into account any points raised for consideration by observers.¹

2. Relevant developments since the previous meeting of the Committee

The Committee will be invited to share any information on relevant developments since its previous meeting that are not covered under other agenda items.

3. Matters arising from previous meetings

The Committee will be invited to discuss any other matters arising from its previous meetings that are not covered under other agenda items.

4. Submissions by Parties concerning other Parties

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to consider any submission made by a Party concerning another Party's compliance with its obligations under the Aarhus Convention, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraph 15 (ECE/MR.PP/2/Add.8).

5. Submissions by Parties concerning their own compliance

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to consider any submission made by a Party concerning its own compliance with the obligations under the Convention, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraph 16.

6. Referrals by the Special Rapporteur on environmental defenders and other relevant developments

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to:

(a) Consider any referrals made by the Special Rapporteur on environmental defenders concerning possible non-compliance by individual Parties with their obligations under article 3 (8) of the Convention, as provided for under decision VII/9, annex, paragraph 15 (b). In this context, the Committee is expected to consider any new information received with regards to referral ACCC/SR/R/2025/1 (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland);²

¹ Documentation for the meeting will be made available on a dedicated web page (<https://unece.org/environmental-policy/events/eighty-eighth-meeting-aarhus-convention-compliance-committee>).

² ECE/MR.PP/2021/2/Add.1.

(b) Take note of any information regarding relevant developments in the work of the Special Rapporteur on environmental defenders, as provided for under decision VII/9, annex, paragraph 15 (a).

7. Referrals by the secretariat

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to consider any referrals made by the secretariat concerning possible non-compliance by individual Parties with their obligations under the Convention, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraph 17.

8. Requests from the Meeting of the Parties

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to consider any request made by the Meeting of the Parties concerning non-compliance by individual Parties with their obligations under the Convention, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraph 13 (b). In this context, the Committee is expected to consider any information received with regard to requests ACCC/M/2021/4, concerning the European Union, and ACCC/M/2021/5, concerning the Republic of Moldova.

9. Requests from Parties for advice or assistance

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is expected to consider any requests from individual Parties for advice and assistance regarding the implementation of the Convention, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraphs 13, 36 and 37 (a). In this context, the Committee is expected to:

- (a) Confirm the edited version of its advice on request ACCC/A/2023/4 (Armenia), as set out in document ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2025/20, and consider any information received thereon;
- (b) Consider request ACCC/A/2024/5 (Armenia) with a view to the preparation of its draft advice thereon.

10. Communications from the public

In accordance with the relevant procedures, the Committee is mandated to consider communications from the public, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, chapter VI. In this context, the Committee is expected to:

- (a) Consider any information received with regard to implementation of its findings and recommendations on communication ACCC/C/2014/119 (Poland);
- (b) Confirm the edited version of its findings and recommendations on communications ACCC/C/2017/149 (Greece), ACCC/C/2017/150 (United Kingdom), ACCC/C/2016/151 (Poland), ACCC/C/2017/154 (Poland), ACCC/C/2017/159 (Spain), ACCC/C/2018/161 (Bulgaria), ACCC/C/2019/162 (Denmark), ACCC/C/2019/173 (Sweden), ACCC/C/2020/181 (Kingdom of the Netherlands) and ACCC/C/2021/186 (Portugal), as set out in documents ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2025/10–ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2025/19, respectively;
- (c) Continue its deliberations on communications ACCC/C/2014/113 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2015/126 (Poland), ACCC/C/2015/132 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2015/133 (Kingdom of the Netherlands), ACCC/C/2016/139 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2016/140 (Romania), ACCC/C/2017/146 (Poland), ACCC/C/2017/148 (Greece), ACCC/C/2017/156 (United Kingdom), ACCC/C/2018/158 (Poland), ACCC/C/2019/163 (Austria), ACCC/C/2019/168 (Iceland) and ACCC/C/2020/179 (Serbia) in closed session, with a view to completing the preparation of its draft findings or to finalizing and adopting its findings, as applicable;

(d) Consider any new information received with regard to communications ACCC/C/2019/164 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2020/177 (Bosnia and Herzegovina), ACCC/C/2020/178 (Germany), ACCC/C/2021/187 (Kingdom of the Netherlands), ACCC/C/2021/189 (Bosnia and Herzegovina), ACCC/C/2022/191 (Ukraine), ACCC/C/2022/192 (Belgium), ACCC/C/2022/194 (United Kingdom), ACCC/C/2022/195 (Spain), ACCC/C/2022/196 (United Kingdom), ACCC/C/2022/197 (France), ACCC/C/2023/198 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2023/199 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2023/200 (Italy), ACCC/C/2023/201 (Sweden), ACCC/C/2023/203 (Germany), ACCC/C/2023/204 (Ireland), ACCC/C/2024/207 (European Union), ACCC/C/2024/208 (Germany), ACCC/C/2024/209 (Italy), ACCC/C/2024/211 (Czechia), ACCC/C/2025/212 (Hungary), ACCC/C/2025/213 (Bulgaria), ACCC/C/2025/214 (Spain), ACCC/C/2025/215 (Germany) and ACCC/C/2025/216 (United Kingdom);

(e) Discuss any new communications received before 6 October 2025, in particular with respect to their admissibility, and any issues that may need to be raised with the Party concerned or the communicant.

11. Matters arising from the decisions of the Meeting of the Parties, including follow-up on specific cases of non-compliance

The Committee is expected to discuss any progress with regard to implementation of decisions VII/8 and VII/8a–b and d–s of the Meeting of the Parties.³ In this context, the Committee is expected to:

(a) Consider any information received with regard to implementation of decisions VII/8a–b and d–s of the Meeting of the Parties;

(b) Consider, in accordance with the relevant procedures, any requests from individual Parties for advice and assistance regarding the implementation of decisions VII/8 and VII/8a–b and d–s, as provided for under decision I/7, annex, paragraphs 13, 36 and 37 (a). In this context, the Committee is expected to confirm the edited versions of its advice on decisions VII/8a (Armenia) and VII/8e (Czechia), as set out in documents ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2025/21 and ECE/MP.PP/C.1/2025/22, respectively.

12. Programme of work and calendar of meetings

The Committee is expected to discuss and decide upon its programme of work and to identify dates for its future meetings.

13. Other business

The secretariat does not currently have any other business to suggest under this agenda item.

³ ECE/MP.PP/2021/2/Add.1.