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Transboundary consultation in accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention)¹

The Republic of Poland in 2015 notified, under Article 3 of the Espoo Convention, the Affected Parties about the planned project consisting of the **construction and operation of the first Nuclear Power Plant in Poland, with an electrical power of up to 3750 MWe, in Choczewo or Gniewino and Krokowa municipalities** (letter of 2 December 2015, ref. no.: DOOŚ-tos.440.8.2015.JA.dts.4 and letter of 17 December 2015, ref. no.: DOOŚ-tos.440.8.2015.JA.dts.11). Along with the project information sheet, the Affected Parties were informed about the environmental impact assessment procedure and the competent authorities participating in the procedure for issuing the decision on environmental conditions.

In connection with your declaration to participate as the Affected Party in the proceedings on the transboundary environmental impact assessment of the planned project, I am providing the following information.

¹ CONVENTION on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, adopted in Espoo on 25 February 1991, also known as the Espoo Convention.

Documentation under Article 4 of the Espoo Convention

The positions and comments of the Affected Parties submitted to the project information sheet were taken into account in the decision determining the scope of the project environmental impact assessment report, dated 25 May 2016, ref. no.: DOOŚ-OA.4205.1.2015.23 (enclosed). The Investor, Polskie Elektrownie Jądrowe Sp. z o.o., has prepared an environmental impact assessment report for the project in question (hereinafter referred to as the 'EIA report') in accordance with Article 4(1) of the Espoo Convention.

The Polish party, pursuant to Article 4(2) of the Espoo Convention, hereby sending you the relevant documentation containing:

1. the EIA report in Polish,
 2. the transboundary report, translated into English, German and Lithuanian as per the bilateral agreements in force²,
 3. the summary of the results of the EIA report for public participation, prepared in the languages of the Affected Parties who, in response to the letter of 8 February 2022, ref. no.: DOOŚ-TSOOŚ. 440.8.2015.17, have expressed their wish to receive the documentation in a different language from that indicated in the letter in question,
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4. the GDPR clause translated into the languages of the Affected Parties, which should be made public together with the above-mentioned documentation.

All documents mentioned above can be found at:

https://gendyochronysrodowiska-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/teams8_gendyochronysrodowiska_onmicrosoft_com/Ev9HdIPx7mZDizoXABt-EMgB89Fn5TBxM6l1cl-ehTSQ7w?e=HAHbOM

² AGREEMENT between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on the environmental impact assessments and strategic environmental assessments in a transboundary context, signed at Neuhardenberg on 10 October 2018.

AGREEMENT between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania on the implementation of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context, signed in Warsaw on 27 May 2004.

Public participation under Article 4(2) of the Espoo Convention

Please provide an **8-week** public participation period, with the opportunity to submit comments and submissions to the EIA report, and inform us about the commencement of such consultation.

Transboundary consultation under Article 5 of the Espoo Convention

I would like to inform you that the planned timeframe for the transboundary consultation is 8 months after you have received the EIA report.

The Polish side, is kindly asking for:

1. immediate acknowledgement of receipt of this letter and its attachments,
2. sending comments and remarks about the environmental impact assessment of the planned project on your territory,
3. providing any comments you may receive from the public in your country,
4. information on whether there is a need to conduct transboundary intergovernmental consultations in the form of an expert meeting, under Article 5 of the Espoo Convention.

Please send the above-mentioned comments and feedback in paper or electronic form within 12 weeks of receipt of this letter, but **no later than by 15 December 2022**, to:

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I am also enclosing information on the legal basis for the proceedings and the conditions for challenging the environmental decision. Furthermore, in accordance with the requirements of Directive 2011/92/EU³, I am providing you with a decision on the need to conduct a transboundary environmental impact assessment procedure.

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³ DIRECTIVE 2011/92/EU OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment (hereinafter referred to as the 'Directive 2011/92/EU').

Attachments (paper or electronic version):

1. Information on the course of the environmental impact assessment procedure and the conditions for challenging the decision, translated into English, German and Lithuanian.
2. Decision on transboundary environmental impact assessment, dated 22 September 2015, ref. no.: DOOS-tos.440.8.2015.JA.dts.1, English translation.
3. Decision defining the scope of the environmental impact assessment report, dated 25 May 2016, ref. no.: DOOS-OA.4205.1.2015.23, English translation.
4. Environmental Impact Assessment Report of the project (paper version only).

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