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Complaint regarding EIA procedure for NPP project Hinkley Point C: Lack of transboundary participation for the German public

Dear Minister Davey,

unfortunately, my first letter to you is of a somewhat unpleasant nature. Please let me assure you that I do regret that it is not on a more agreeable subject.

Alas, necessity requires it that I hereby want to lodge a complaint regarding the lack of a transboundary participation for the German public in the environmental impact assessment procedure for the nuclear power plant project Hinkley Point C.

In my opinion, the German public is highly concerned. There is no scientific proof in accordance with the state of science and technology, like for example up-to-date beyond design basis accidents studies (BDBA studies), that Germany would not be affected in case of a major accident at Hinkley Point C. Quite the contrary, the Austrian dispersion modeling project "flexRISK" emphasises the potential that there is a significant probability that Germany would be affected.

Furthermore, according to the EU directive concerning the environmental impact assessment in a transboundary context, the German public is concerned if it states respectively that it feels so. Please let me assure you the German public –unlike the German government– is concerned, speaking not only for myself and several colleagues of mine in the German parliament but also having received letters and calls from citizens.

I would kindly request that you provide Germany with a prompt notification to ensure that we, the German public, still can participate in the EIA procedure for Hinkley Point C. So

far, Germany has not been notified according to an answer I recently received from the German government.

Thank you in advance for you help in this matter!

Looking forward to your response, respectfully,

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