

VICEPRIME - MINISTER, MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT CABINET

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To: Mr. Neno DIMOV, Minister
Ministry of Environment and Water
Republic of Bulgaria

Ref.: The project "Improvement of navigation conditions on the Romanian-Bulgarian Danube common sector of the Danube"

Dear Mr. Dimov,

Based on the provisions of Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a transboundary context (Espoo Convention) and on the provisions of Article 7 of the Directive 2011/92/UE on the assessments of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment, as amended by Directive 2014/52/UE, we notify Republic of Bulgaria that the developer, Lower Danube River Administration - Galaţi, Romania has submitted its application for the EIA decision/Environmental Agreement for the project "Improvement of navigation conditions on the Romanian-Bulgarian Danube common sector of the Danube" to the competent Romanian authority - National Environmental Protection Agency -, therefore the EIA procedure has started.

The main objective of the project is to identify the technical solutions to be implemented in order to ensure proper navigation and traffic safety conditions on the common Romanian-Bulgarian sector of Danube, for a period of at least 340 days/year.

The present letter is accompanied by the Notification form and the Presentation Memoire that we kindly ask you to make it available to all Bulgarian authorities and public that may be concerned by the project's effects.



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The purpose of this notification is to formalize the initiation of the transboundary joint EIA procedure although it is obvious that this is a common project whose beneficiaries are both Romania and Bulgaria and the EIA procedure at national level of each country is initiated, more or less, at the same time.

Please inform the Romanian contact point for the Espoo Convention about your response to the Notification by 30th August 2019 and deliver your comments and your requests for the content of the EIA documentation as well, by 15 September 2019.

Please accept, Mr. Minister, the assurance of my highest consideration and esteem.

Sincerely yours,

VICEPRIME-MINISTER,

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT,

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