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Response to the consultation in accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) for the Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline

Sweden received 30th June 2017, Finland's letter and comments regarding the environmental impact assessment (EIA) of the Nord Stream 2 project (Espoo report) that was sent on consultation in accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Tranboundary Context (Espoo Convention).

The developer Nord Stream 2 AG has prepared a response to the comments to the Espoo report in the statement from Finland. The document is enclosed with this letter.

Sweden kindly asks for possible respond on the developer's response no later than 27 October 2017 and indicating if any further consultation is requested.

Provided that no request to continue with the consultations in accordance with Article 5 of the Espoo Convention is received by 27 October 2017, Sweden finds that the consultation process in accordance with the Espoo Convention will be completed.

Sweden would like to state that in the decision on the proposed activity, due account is taken of the outcome of the environmental impact assessment, including the EIA documentation, as well as the comments thereon received, pursuant to the provisions in Article 6 of the Espoo Convention.

Furthermore, Sweden will subsequently provide to the affected Parties the final decision on the proposed activity along with the reasons and considerations on which it was based.

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This letter will only be sent by e-mail.

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Enclosures

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