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Mr. Jan Dusik, Director, UN Environment, Europe Office

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Dear Mr. Dusik,

Referring to your letter of 13 February 2017 I would like to inform you that Russian National Committee for Supporting UNEP (UNEPCOM) will follow your recommendations to suspend all activities that are carried out in its capacity as a UNEP National Committee and to cease the use of UNEP's name and logo.

I would like also to underline, that since 2007 according to UNEPCOM's Statute we are acting *not as a UNEP National Committee* but as a *Russian National Committee for Supporting UNEP*.

Exactly in this capacity we will continue our work, fulfilling projects within the frame of UNEP's field of activity, while waiting for a new UNEP's Policy on National Committees.

More of that, knowing why most National Committees haven't got development enough and having an experience in organisation of cooperation between business, science and civil societies on achieving balance of interests in the field of environment and sustainable development, we are ready to take part in preparation, under leadership of UNEP's Secretariat, of recommendations on establishment and organization of activity of National Committees.

In this case it is necessary to stress the importance of organization of cooperation and experience exchange between National Committees from different countries and skilled coordination of their activity from the side of UNEP's Secretariat.

Sincerely,

Victor Usov Executive Director UNEPCOM, Russia