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Subject: Nominated Stockholm Convention Centre in Novosibirsk, Russia

Dear Mr Ivlev,

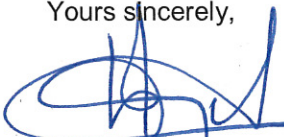
I am pleased to inform you that on 23 May 2017 the "Novosibirsk Institute of Organic Chemistry (NIOCH)" located in Novosibirsk, Russian Federation was nominated, on behalf of the Central and Eastern European Region by Ms Ana Berejiani (Georgia) a member of the bureau of the 8th Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention, to serve as a Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for the Central and Eastern European Region.

In accordance with paragraph 5 of decision SC-3/12, the Novosibirsk Institute of Organic Chemistry (NIOCH) is now formally recognized as a "Nominated Stockholm Convention centre" until the 9th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to be held in Geneva, Switzerland from 29 April to 10 May 2019 decides whether to confirm its endorsement as a Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for capacity-building and the transfer of environmentally sound technologies.

I take the opportunity to acknowledge that in its capacity as a Nominated Stockholm Convention Centre, the "Novosibirsk Institute of Organic Chemistry (NIOCH)" has submitted its work plan for the period 2018-2019 as called for in the annex to decision SC-3/12. Please note, that the same decision, encourages nominated Stockholm Convention Centres to prepare project proposals in consultation with stakeholders for submission to the financial mechanism and other potential sources of assistance.

We look forward to the fruitful cooperation with NIOCH to support Parties' obligations of the Stockholm Convention.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosed: Decision SC-3/12 and its annex