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Polish Green Network (PGN)
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Friends of the Earth - Center
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Ukraine:
National Ecological Centre of
Ukraine (NECU)

CEE Bankwatch Network's
mission is to prevent
environmentally and socially
harmful impacts of
international development
finance, and to promote
alternative solutions and public
participation.

To:
Hildegard Gacek, Country Director, Serbia, EBRD
Michaela Bergman, Senior Social Adviser, Environment and Sustainability
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Wednesday, February 03, 2010

Dear Ms Gacek and Ms Bergman,

I would firstly like to thank Ms Gacek for the letter sent to Ms Pippa Gallop of CEE Bankwatch Network on 19th November 2009 in response to the report from our visit to Belgrade in October.

Since then as you are no doubt aware, there have been several important developments, which I would like to discuss with you. We have recently read in the media that representatives of the EBRD will be visiting Belgrade in early February regarding the resettlement. If this is the case, I would like to ask for a short meeting with the visiting representatives.

I would also like to point out that I have recently been informed by a resident of the Makis settlement that when representatives from the EBRD and EIB visited in October, the residents were awoken at six o'clock in the morning, informed that there would be visitors from the banks, and warned not to complain about anything. Who did this? The representative? Or someone from the city? We would therefore recommend that you communicate in advance to the organisers of the visit that this approach is not useful.

Finally I would like to bring to your attention an article which recently appeared in Balkan Insight regarding the non-Belgrade, non-IDP Roma formerly living in the Gazela settlement:

<http://www.balkaninsight.com/en/main/analysis/25148>

Please note that we have not yet been able to visit the sites in the south of Serbia to check this information, nevertheless I believe that the situation described in this article sounds serious and deserves investigation by the EBRD. I hope it will be possible to look into this issue during the forthcoming visit in February.

Best regards,

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